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L8ANSWER 3 OF 7 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 1 97164895 Document Number: 97164895. PubMed ID: 9012657. Plasma kinetics of cholesteryl ester transfer protein in the rabbit. Effects of dietary cholesterol. McPherson R; Lau P; Kussie P; Barrett H; Tall A R. (Lipoprotein and Atherosclerosis Group, University of Ottawa Heart Institute, Canada.. rmcphers@heartinst.on.ca) . ARTERIOSCLEROSIS, THROMBOSIS, AND VASCULAR BIOLOGY, (1997 Jan) 17 (1) 203-10. Journal code: B89; 9505803. ISSN: 1079-5642. Pub. country: United States. Language: English. AB

The plasma kinetics of recombinant human cholesteryl ester transfer protein (rCETP) were studied in six rabbits before and after cholesterol feeding (0.5% wt/wt). The rCETP, labeled with the use of the Bolton Hunter reagent, was shown

retain neutral lipid transfer activity. After intravenous infusion, labeled rCETP associated with rabbit lipoproteins to an extent similar to endogenous rabbit CETP (62% to 64% HDL associated). The plasma kinetics of CETP, modeled with the use of SAAM-II, conformed to a two-pool model, likely representing free and loosely HDL-associated CETP (fast pool) and a tightly apo (apolipoprotein) AI-associated (slow pool) CETP. The plasma residency time (chow diet) of the fast pool averaged 7.1 hours and of the slow pool, 76.3 hours. The production rate (PR) into and the fractional catabolic rate (FCR) of the fast pool were 20 and 10 times the PR and

FCR,

respectively, of the slow pool. In response to cholesterol feeding, CETP PR, FCR, and plasma mass increased by 416%, 60%, and 230%, respectively. There was a strong correlation (r = .95, P = .003) between the increase in rabbit plasma CETP and the modeled increase in CETP PR in response to cholesterol feeding, suggesting that labeled human rCETP is a satisfactory tracer for rabbit plasma CETP. CETP is catabolized by distinct pools, likely corresponding to an apo AI-associated (slow) pool and a free and/or loosely HDL-associated (fast) pool. Factors that alter the affinity of CETP for HDL would be predicted to result in altered CETP catabolism. The effect of dietary cholesterol on plasma CETP mass can be explained largely by the effects on CETP synthesis, consistent with the observed effects of cholesterol on tissue mRNA levels.

ANSWER 4 OF 7 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 2 97376917 Document Number: 97376917. PubMed ID: 9233688. Modification of the N-terminal cysteine of plasma cholesteryl ester transfer protein selectively inhibits triglyceride

transfer activity. Kotake H; Agellon L B; Yokoyama S. (Biochemistry 1, Nagoya City University Medical School, Nagoya, Japan.) BIOCHIMICA ET BIOPHYSICA ACTA, (1997 Jul 12) 1347 (1) 69-74. Journal code: AOW; 0217513. ISSN: 0006-3002. Pub. country: Netherlands. Language: English.

AB An invariant cysteine residue is found at the N-terminus of cholesteryl ester transfer protein (
CETP) isolated from plasma of humans, rabbits and cynomolgus monkeys. We previously reported the expression of recombinant rabbit cholesteryl ester transfer protein in yeast (Kotake et al., J. Lipid Res. 1996; 37: 599-605). The recombinant CETP secreted into the medium contains an altered N-terminal sequence but was fully capable of facilitating both cholesteryl ester (CE) and triglyceride (TG) transfer

between lipoproteins. We investigated the importance of the conserved N-terminal cysteine of plasma CETP in the lipid transfer activity by chemical modification of the free sulfhydryl groups of the recombinant CETP and CETP from human and rabbit plasma. The unmodified forms of these CETPs had similar specific activities of CE and TG transfer. Neither 5,5'-dithiobis-(2-nitrobenzoate) nor N-ethyl maleimide altered the lipid transfer activity. In contrast, p-chloromercuriphenyl sulfonate selectively inhibited the TG transfer activity of both human and rabbit plasma CETP. The TG and CE transfer activities of the recombinant CETP, which lacks the N-terminal cysteine residue, was not affected. These results demonstrate that the N-terminal cysteine residue of both human and rabbit plasma CETP is free and is likely to be involved in the construction of a critical part of the active site of CETP that can determine the selectivity of the lipid molecule for the transfer reaction.

L8 ANSWER 5 OF 7 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 3
96292476 Document Number: 96292476. PubMed ID: 8728322. Expression and secretion of rabbit plasma cholesteryl ester
transfer protein by Pichia pastoris. Kotake H; Li Q;
Ohnishi T; Ko K W; Agellon L B; Yokoyama S. (Lipid and Lipoprotein Research Group, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.) JOURNAL OF LIPID RESEARCH, (1996 Mar) 37 (3) 599-605. Journal code: IX3; 0376606. ISSN: 0022-2275. Pub. country: United States. Language: English.

AB The rabbit cholesteryl ester
transfer protein (CETP) was expressed in the
methylotrophic yeast Pichia pastoris by introducing the CETP
cDNA under the control of the methanol-inducible alcohol oxidase
promoter.

The cDNA was cloned from in vitro amplified cDNA of rabbit liver mRNA. The nucleotide sequence of the cloned cDNA differed slightly from the previously published sequence that changed the amino acid sequence in six residues. Interestingly, five of these replacements are identical to the corresponding residues in human CEPT. In addition, the encoded mature N-terminal sequence was changed from Cys- to Arg-Glu-Phe- to link the CETP sequence to the yeast acid phosphatase signal peptide. The culture medium of the transformed cells induced with 1% methanol contained

both cholesteryl ester and triglyceride transfer activity comparable to that of rabbit plasma. Like rabbit plasma, the lipid transfer activity in the medium could be inhibited by monoclonal antibodies that block CE/TG transfer or TG transfer alone. Immunoblot analysis of M(r) = 80 K and minor species of M(r) = 60-100 K. In spite of these differences, the specific transfer activity of the recombinant CETP was indistinguishable from that of rabbit plasma CETP of M(r) = 74 K. N-Glycosidase F treatment converted both the recombinant and plasma CETP to a single species of M(r) = 55 K. Both the plasma and recombinant CETP lost their activity after removal of

N-linked carbohydrate and sialic acid. A single 55 K component was found in the cell-lysates. The intracellular form of the **recombinant**CETP was not modified by N-glycosidase F treatment. In conclusion, the **recombinant CETP** is synthesized as an inactive polypeptide that is processed and secreted as a functional glycoprotein. In addition, the N-terminal Cys residue of the plasma CETP is not required for its activity.

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 LAB, 2121 N 35TH ST, SEATTLE, WA, 98103 (Reprint); WASHINGTON UNIV, SCH
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 BIOPHYSICA ACTA-LIPIDS AND LIPID METABOLISM (27 SEP 1996) Vol. 1303, No.
 2, pp. 103-110. ISSN: 0005-2760. Pub. country: USA. Language: ENGLISH.
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- Human plasma phospholipid transfer protein (PLTP) has been shown to facilitate the transfer of phospholipid from liposomes or isolated very low and low density lipoproteins to high density lipoproteins. Its activity in plasma and its physiological function are presently unknown. To elucidate the role of PLTP in lipoprotein metabolism and to delineate factors that may affect the rate of phospholipid transfer between lipoproteins, we determined the plasma phospholipid mass transfer rate (PLTR) in 16 healthy adult volunteers and assessed its relationship to plasma lipid levels, and to phospholipid transfer activity (PLTA) and cholesteryl ester transfer activity (CETA) measured by radioassays. The plasma PLTR in these subjects was 27.2 +/- 11.8 nmol/ml per h at 37 degrees C (mean +/- S.D.), and their PLTA and CETA were 13.0 +/- 1.7 mu mol/ml per h and 72.8 +/- 15.7 nmol/ml per h, respectively. Plasma PLTR was correlated directly with total, non-HDL, and HDL triglyceride (r(s) = 0.76, P < 0.001), total and non-HDL phospholipid (r(s), > 0.53, P <

and inversely with HDL free cholesterol (r(s) = -0.54, P < 0.05), but not with plasma PLTA and CETA. When 85% to 96% of the PLTA in plasma was removed by polyclonal antibodies against **recombinant** human PLTP-phospholipid mass transfer from VLDL and LDL to HDL was reduced by 50% to 72%, but 80% to 100% of CETA could still be detected. These studies

demonstrate that PLTP plays a major role in facilitating the transfer of phospholipid between lipoproteins, and suggest that triglyceride is a significant modulator of intravascular phospholipid transport. Furthermore, most of the PLTP and CETP in human plasma is associated with different particles. Plasma PLTA and CETA were also measured in mouse, rat, hamster, guinea pig, rabbit, dog, pig, and monkey. Compared to human, PLTA in rat and mouse was significantly higher and in rabbit and guinea pig was significantly lower while the remaining animal species had PLTA similar to humans. No correlation between PLTA and CETA was observed among animal species.

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 94045262 Document Number: 94045262. PubMed ID: 8228645. Use of
 fluorescent cholesteryl ester microemulsions in cholesteryl
 ester transfer protein assays. Bisgaier C L;
 Minton L L; Essenburg A D; White A; Homan R. (Department of Pharmacology,
 Parke-Davis Pharmaceutical Research, Division of Warner-Lambert Company,
 Ann Arbor, MI 48105.) JOURNAL OF LIPID RESEARCH, (1993 Sep) 34 (9)
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- AB In the present report we describe a simple and practical method to assess CETP activity in a defined system by use of microemulsions containing a fluorescent cholesteryl ester analog. The microemulsions are stable, simple to prepare, and can be made to defined composition. Initial

transfer rates are easily determined by monitoring changes in fluorescence. We have used the fluorescent cholesteryl ester analog, cholesteryl 4,4-difluoro-5,7-dimethyl-4-boro-3 alpha, 4 alpha-diaza-3-indacenedodecanoate (BODIPY-CE), to demonstrate the utility of this assay. The assay takes advantage of the concentration-dependent self-quenching of BODIPY-CE, when this analog is incorporated into microemulsions. We have used this new assay to demonstrate fluorescent lipid transfer facilitated by rabbit and human d > 1.21 g/ml plasma fraction and recombinant human CETP. A known inhibitory monoclonal antibody (Mab) to human CETP blocked BODIPY-CE transfer in a dose-dependent manner. We have also used BODIPY-CE microemulsions to measure CETP activity in whole plasma. => s 13 and simian T.9 0 L3 AND SIMIAN => d his (FILE 'HOME' ENTERED AT 10:54:09 ON 15 JAN 2002) FILE 'MEDLINE, EMBASE, BIOSIS, SCISEARCH, CAPLUS' ENTERED AT 10:54:28 ON 15 JAN 2002 3632 S CETP L12942 S L1 AND CHOLESTERYL ESTER TRANSFER PROTEIN L_2 L_3 107 S L2 AND RECOMBINANT L490 S L3 AND HUMAN L5 2 S L4 AND VACCINE L6 2 DUP REMOVE L5 (0 DUPLICATES REMOVED) L723 S L3 AND RABBIT L87 DUP REMOVE L7 (16 DUPLICATES REMOVED) L9 0 S L3 AND SIMIAN => s 12 and rabbit L10 271 L2 AND RABBIT => s l10 and treatment L11 47 L10 AND TREATMENT => dup remove l11 PROCESSING COMPLETED FOR L11 25 DUP REMOVE L11 (22 DUPLICATES REMOVED) => d l12 1-25 cbib abs L12 ANSWER 1 OF 25 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS Document No. 135:225853 Plasmid-based vaccine for treating atherosclerosis. Thomas, Lawrence J. (AVANT Immunotherapeutics, Inc., USA). U.S. US 6284533 B) 20010904, 35 pp., Cont.-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 802,967. (English). CODEN: USXXAM. APPLICATION: US 1998-171969 19981002. PRIORITY: US 1996-PV52983 19960501; US 1997-802967 1997022 WO 1997-US7294 19970501. A plasmid-based vaccine is provided herein based on the combination of AB DNA segments coding for one or more B cell epitopes of cholesteryl

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ester transfer protein (CETP) and one or more broad range helper T cell epitopes. Administration of the plasmids as a vaccine to a vertebrate subject provides an immune response to the subject's endogenous CETP and modulation of CETP activity, leading to prevention or reversal of various manifestations of heart disease. The vaccines provide an advantageous strategy for the prevention or treatment of atherosclerosis.

L12 ANSWER 2 OF 25 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R) 2001:563015 The Genuine Article (R) Number: 451VP. Cholesteryl ester transfer protein biosynthesis and cellular cholesterol homeostasis are tightly interconnected. Morton R E (Reprint). Cleveland Clin Fdn, Dept Cell Biol, Lerner Res Inst,

9500 Euclid Ave, NC10, Cleveland, OH 44195 USA (Reprint); Cleveland Clin Fdn, Dept Cell Biol, Lerner Res Inst, Cleveland, OH 44195 USA. JOURNAL OF BIOLOGICAL CHEMISTRY (13 JUL 2001) Vol. 276, No. 28, pp. 26534-26541. Publisher: AMER SOC BIOCHEMISTRY MOLECULAR BIOLOGY INC. 9650 ROCKVILLE PIKE, BETHESDA, MD 20814 USA. ISSN: 0021-9258. Pub. country: USA. Language: English.

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Cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) mediates triglyceride and cholesteryl eater (CE) transfer between lipoproteins, and its activity is strongly modulated by dietary cholesterol. To better understand the regulation of CETP synthesis and the relationship between CETP levels and cellular lipid metabolism, we selected the SW872 adipocytic cell line as a model. These cells secrete CETP in a time-dependent manner at levels exceeding those observed for Caco-2 or HepG2 cells. The addition

of LDL, 250H-cholesterol, oleic acid, or acetylated LDL to SW872 cells increased CETP secretion (activity and mass) up to 6-fold. In contrast, CETP production was decreased by almost 60% after treatment with lipoprotein-deficient serum or P-cyclodextrin, These effects, which were paralleled by changes in CETP mRNA, show that **CETP** biosynthesis in SW872 cells directly correlates with cellular lipid status. To investigate a possible, reciprocal relationship between CETP expression and cellular lipid homeostasis, CETP biosynthesis in SW872 cells was suppressed with CETP antisense oligonucleotides. Antisense oligonucleotides reduced CETP secretion (activity and mass) by 60% compared with sense-treated cells. When CETP synthesis was suppressed for 24 h, triglyceride synthesis was unchanged, but cholesterol biosynthesis was reduced by 20%, and acetate incorporation into CE increased 31%, After 3 days of suppressed CETP synthesis, acetate incorporation into the CE pool increased 3-fold over control. This mirrored a similar increase in CE mass. The efflux of free cholesterol to HDL was the same

sense and antisense-treated cells; however, HDL-induced CE hydrolysis in antisense-treated cells was diminished a-fold even though neutral CE hydrolase activity was unchanged. Thus, CETP-compromised SW872 cells display a phenotype characterized by inefficient mobilization of CE stores leading to CE accumulation. These results strongly suggest that CETP expression levels contribute to normal cholesterol homeostasis in adipocytic cells. Overall, these studies demonstrate that lipid homeostasis and CETP expression are tightly coupled.

L12 ANSWER 3 OF 25 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2002 BIOSIS 2001:298985 Document No.: PREV200100298985. An extended toxicologic evaluation

of an immunoneutralizing vaccine to produce anti-CETP antibodies for the prevention/treatment of atherosclerosis. Thomas, Lawrence J. (1); Picard, Michele D. (1); Miller, David P. (1); Emmett, Constance D. (1); Scesney, Susanne M. (1); Pisano, Milissa L. (1); Adari, Hedy (1); Hammond, Russell A. (1); Marsh, Henry C. (1); Rittershaus, Charles W. (1); Pettey, Carolyn L. (1). (1) AVANT Immunotherapeutics, 119 Fourth Ave., Needham, MA, 02494 USA. FASEB Journal, (March 7, 2001) Vol. 15, No. 4, pp. A566. print. Meeting Info.: Annual Meeting of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology on Experimental Biology 2001 Orlando, Florida, USA March 31-April 04, 2001 ISSN: 0892-6638. Language: English. Summary Language: English.

AB A toxicology study was conducted with an immunoneutralizing vaccine designed to elicit antibodies that would bind to and block the function of

cholesteryl ester transfer protein (
 CETP), in order to prevent atherosclerosis. The vaccine consisted
 of a dimer of a 31 a.a. synthetic chimeric peptide containing an
 N-terminal cysteine, a T cell epitope (residues 830-843 of tetanus
coxin),

and a B cell epitope (residues 461-476 of human CETP), formulated with an alum adjuvant. In this study NZW rabbits were immunized with either 0 mg (4 males and 4 females), 0.1 mg (2 males and 2 females), 0.25 mg (4 males and 4 females) or 1.0 mg (4 males and 4 females) of the vaccine on days 1, 29 and 57. On day 197 (at a relative antibody minimum) half of the animals from groups 1, 3 and 4 were sacrificed. The remaining animals were reboosted and euthanized on day 211, at an expected antibody maximum. Blood samples were taken periodically throughout the study and were assessed for hematology, clinical chemistry, and antibody titers. All rabbits in the non-control groups developed anti-rabbit CETP antibody titers, thus validating the immunogenicity of the vaccine. In all other measurements the vaccinated groups were indistinguishable from the control

group. All animals were monitored for clinical abnormalities throughout the study, and at necropsy, gross pathology was assessed, selected organs were weighed, and samples of 44 tissues were taken for histopathology. By all the above parameters, no significant test article-related pathology was observed. This study demonstrated the administration of this CETP immunoneutralizing vaccine produced specific self-reactive antibody titers but no detectable test article-related pathology.

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2002:4125 An immunotherapeutic approach for the **treatment** of low plasma HDL-Cholesterol. Ryan, Una S.; Rittershaus, Charles W. (AVANT Immunotherapeutics, Inc., Needham, MA, 02494-2725, USA). NATO Science Series, Series I: Life and Behavioural Sciences, 330(Vascular Endothelium), 26-33 (English) 2001. CODEN: NSSSC9. ISSN: 1566-7693. Publisher: IOS Press.

AB One determinant of plasma HDL-Cholesterol concn. is cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP)
activity. Inhibition of CETP activity increases plasma HDL-C, thus providing a potential therapeutic target for the treatment of atherosclerosis. Using a vaccine approach, we immunized New Zealand White rabbits with a peptide contg. a region of CETP known to be required for neutral lipid transfer function. CETP -vaccinated rabbits had significantly reduced plasma CETP activity and an altered lipoprotein profile compared with control rabbits. In a cholesterol-fed rabbit model of atherosclerosis, the fraction of plasma cholesterol in HDL was 42% higher,

and the fraction of plasma cholesterol in LDL was 24% lower in the CETP-vaccinated group compared with the control-vaccinated group. Moreover, the percentage of the aorta surface exhibiting atherosclerotic lesion was 39.6% smaller in the CETP-vaccinated rabbits compared with controls. The data reported here demonstrate that CETP activity can be reduced in vivo by vaccination with a peptide derived from CETP, and support the concept that inhibition of CETP activity in vivo can be anti-atherogenic. Currently, this

vaccine is in clin. trials.

L12 ANSWER 5 OF 25 EMBASE COPYRIGHT 2002 ELSEVIER SCI. B.V. 2000326614 EMBASE Antiatherogenic effect of the extract of Allium victorialis

on the experimental atherosclerosis in the **rabbit** and transgenic mouse. Tae Gyn Kim; Seung Hee Kim; Soeg Youn Kang; Ki Kyung Jung; Don Ha Choi; Yong Bok Park; Jong Hoon Ryu; Hyung Mee Han. H.M. Han, Natl. Inst. of Toxicological Res., Korea Food and Drug Administration, Seoul 122-704, Korea, Republic of. Korean Journal of Pharmacognosy 31/2 (149-156) 2000.

Refs: 25.

ISSN: 0253-3073. CODEN: SYHJAM. Pub. Country: Korea, Republic of. Language: Korean. Summary Language: English.

AB Atherosclerosis is emerging as one of the major causes of death in Korea as well as Western societies. In the present study, hypocholesterolemic and antiatherogenic effects of the ethanol extract of Allium victorialis Makino was investigated using the conventional rabbit and the cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) - transgenic mouse model. Hypercholesterolemia was induced by feeding high cholesterol diet to the animals for 30 days and they were then fed with high cholesterol diet containing 0.5% of the A. victorialis extract for additional 30 (or 40) days. In the experiment using rabbits, treatment with the A. victorialis extract significantly decreased plasma total cholesterol, low density lipoprotein (LDL)-cholesterol, triglyceride levels and lipid peroxidation compared to those in the control group. Total cholesterol contents in the liver and the heart were also significantly decreased. Lipid staining of the aorta isolated from the rabbits showed that treatment with the A. victorialis extract decreased formation of atheromatous plaques on the intima of the aorta. In the experiment employing CETP transgenic mouse model, treatment with the A. victorialis extract decreased the levels of plasma total cholesterol and the tissue triglyceride levels in the heart. These results demonstrated that the ethanol extract of A. victorialis lowered serum cholesterol levels,

lipid contents and accumulation of cholesterol in the artery.

L12 ANSWER 6 OF 25 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS
1999:282118 Document No. 130:310673 Xenogeneic cholesteryl
ester transfer protein (CETP) for
modulation of CETP activity in treatment of
atherosclerosis. Rittershaus, Charles W.; Thomas, Lawrence-J. (Avant
Immunotherapeutics, Inc., USA). PCT Int. Appl. WO 9920302 A1 19990429,
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AB Methods for modulating cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) activity and the plasma levels of lipoproteins involved in heart disease involve administration of a non-endogenous CETP or a plasmid-based vaccine for expression of such non-endogenous CETP to elicit prodn. in a mammal of antibodies that recognize (bind to) the mammal's native (endogenous) CETP.

L12 ANSWER 7 OF 25 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS 1999:223038 Document No. 130:250711 Vector vaccines against cholesterol

ester transfer protein for the treatment of atherosclerosis. Needleman, Philip; Glenn, Kevin (Monsanto Company, USA). PCT Int. Appl. WO 9915655 A1 19990401, 99 pp. DESIGNATED STATES: W: AL, AM, AT, AU, AZ, BA, BB, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CU, CZ, DE, DK, EE, ES, FI, GB, GE, GH, GM, HR, HU, ID, IL, IS, JP, KE, KG, KP, KR, KZ, LC, LK, LR, LS, LT, LU, LV, MD, MG, MK, MN, MW, MX, NO, NZ, PL, PT, RO, RU, SD, SE, SG, SI, SK, SL, TJ, TM, TR, TT, UA, UG, US, UZ, VN, YU, ZW, AM, AZ, BY, KG, KZ, MD, RU, TJ, TM; RW: AT, BE, BF, BJ, CF, CG, CH, CI, CM, CY, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GA, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, ML, MR, NE, NL, PT, SE, SN, TD, TG. (English). CODEN: PIXXD2. APPLICATION: WO 1998-US19366 19980917. PRIORITY: US 1997-934367 19970919. AB Expression vectors for manuf. of antigenic fragments of cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) that can be used to inactivate the protein are described. The protein plays a key role in the transfer of cholesterol from HDL to LDL and VLDL and inhibition of CETP synthesis can be used to prevent LDL and VLDL formation in the prophylaxis of atherosclerosis. Immunogens, inocula, DNA segments, and recombinant DNA mol. vectors for carrying out the invention are also disclosed. The use of antigenic fragments of rabbit CETP to raise autoantibodies in rabbits is demonstrated. Antibodies to three such peptides cross-reacted with human CETP. Rabbits vaccinated with these antigens showed a .apprx.10% increase in serum HDL. were manufd. as fusion proteins with hepatitis B core antigens in Escherichia coli, in a baculovirus system, and in mammalian cell culture. ANSWER 8 OF 25 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2002 BIOSIS 1999:282999 Document No.: PREV199900282999. A vaccine to produce anticholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) antibodies for the prevention/treatment of atherosclerosis. Thomas, L. J. (1); Picard, M. D. (1); Miller, D. P. (1); Honan, C. M. (1); Adari, H. (1); Emmett, C. D. (1); Marsh, H. C. (1); Ryan, U. S. (1); Pettey, C. L. (1); Rittershaus, C. W. (1). (1) Avant Immunotherapeutics, Inc., Needham, MA, 02494 USA. FASEB Journal, (March 15, 1999) Vol. 13, No. 5 PART 2, pp. A693. Meeting Info.: Annual Meeting of the Professional Research Scientists on Experimental Biology 99 Washington, D.C., USA April 17-21, 1999 Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology. ISSN: 0892-6638. Language: English. L12 ANSWER 9 OF 25 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 1 1999333246 Document Number: 99333246. PubMed ID: 10406588. Combined effects of probucol and benzafibrate on lipoprotein metabolism and liver cholesteryl ester transfer protein mRNA in cholesterol-fed rabbits. Ou J; Saku K; Jimi S; Liao Y L; Ohta T; Zhang B; Arakawa K. (Department of Internal Medicine, Fukuoka University School of Medicine, Japan.) JAPANESE CIRCULATION JOURNAL, (1999 Jun) 63 (6) 471-7. Journal code: KGN; 7806868. ISSN: 0047-1828. Pub. country: Australia. Language: English. Probucol decreases and bezafibrate increases plasma high density lipoprotein-cholesterol (HDL-C) levels in humans. This study was performed to determine whether the HDL-C-lowering effects of probucol could be reversed by treatment with bezafibrate in hypercholesterolemic rabbits. Forty-nine normolipidemic Japanese White rabbits were divided into 5 groups [group 1: normal chow; group 2: 0.2% cholesterol (Ch) diet; group 3: 0.2% Ch and 1% probucol diet; group 4: 0.2% Ch and 1% bezafibrate diet; group 5: 0.2% Ch and 1% probucol plus 1% bezafibrate diet] and treated for 8 weeks. Plasma lipids,

cholesteryl ester transfer protein (

CETP) activity in the lipoprotein-deficient plasma fraction, CETP mRNA in liver tissue and plasma drug concentrations were investigated. Serum total cholesterol (TC) increased after the

rabbits in groups 2, 3, 4 and 5 were fed Ch, but overall, no significant differences were observed in serum TC and triglyceride (TG) among these groups. Serum HDL-C levels increased (p<0.01) in the bezafibrate-treated group, but a significant (p<0.05) reduction in HDL-C was observed in both the Ch + probucol (group 3) and Ch + probucol plus bezafibrate (group 5) groups; no significant difference was observed between groups 3 and 5. Significant correlation (p<0.01) was found

serum low density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C) levels and plasma probucol concentrations in groups 3 and 5, but no correlation was found between plasma concentrations of probucol/bezafibrate and serum HDL-C levels. CETP activity in the lipoprotein-deficient plasma fraction increased in the Ch-, Ch + probucol-, and Ch + probucol and bezafibrate-fed groups (groups 2, 3 and 5, respectively), whereas a significant reduction in this activity was observed in the Ch + bezafibrate-fed group (group 4). An analysis of covariance showed that

the

CETP activity responded more sensitively to drug treatment than did the serum HDL-C level. CETP mRNA in liver tissue was assessed by Northern blotting at 8 weeks, but no changes were observed among the 5 groups. Probucol decreased and bezafibrate increased serum HDL-C levels, through CETP activity without affecting liver CETP mRNA levels, and the decrease in HDL-C levels produced by probucol could not be reversed by bezafibrate.

L12 ANSWER 10 OF 25 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R)

1999:60305 The Genuine Article (R) Number: 154VW. The hepatic uptake of rat high-density lipoprotein cholesteryl ester is delayed after treatment with cholesteryl ester

transfer protein. Botham K M; Avella M; Cantafora A; Bravo E (Reprint). IST SUPER SANITA, LAB METAB & BIOCHIM PATOL, VIALE REGINA ELENA 299, I-00161 ROME, ITALY (Reprint); IST SUPER SANITA, LAB METAB & BIOCHIM PATOL, I-00161 ROME, ITALY; UNIV LONDON ROYAL VET COLL, DEPT VET BASIC SCI, LONDON NW1 OTU, ENGLAND. PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOCIETY FOR EXPERIMENTAL BIOLOGY AND MEDICINE (JAN 1999) Vol. 220, No. 1, pp. 31-38. Publisher: BLACKWELL SCIENCE INC. 350 MAIN ST, MALDEN, MA 02148. ISSN: 0037-9727. Pub. country: ITALY; ENGLAND. Language: English. *ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS*

AB The effects of cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) on the direct uptake of HDL cholesteryl ester by the liver was investigated using the rat in vivo and the isolated

perfused rat liver as experimental models, Rat plasma was incubated with [H-3]cholesterol in the presence or absence of partially purified human CETP far 18 hr and [H-3]cholesteryl ester-labeled HDL was then isolated by ultracentrifugation, The CETP-treated as compared to untreated HDL showed a small shift toward a lower density in the peak of lipoprotein cholesterol, suggesting that the HDL particle size was increased, After injection of the labeled HDL into rats in vivo, more radioactivity remained in the plasma after 60 min when the CETP -treated preparation was used, but the amounts found in the liver and secreted in the bile were not significantly different from those obtained with the untreated HDL, The distribution of the label remaining in the plasma after 60 min between different density fractions corresponding to HDL subclasses suggested that the uptake of HDL, and HDL, was delayed by CETP treatment. Radioactivity from CETP

-treated HDL was also removed from the perfusate of isolated perfused rat livers more slowly than that from untreated HDL, and in this case the amount found in the liver after 60 min was significantly lower, These findings indicate that **treatment** with **CETP** has a direct inhibitory effect on the clearance of rat HDL cholesteryl ester from the blood and its uptake by the liver.

1998328362 Document Number: 98328362. PubMed ID: 9665425. Human cholesteryl ester transfer protein measured by enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay with two monoclonal antibodies against rabbit cholesteryl ester transfer protein: plasma cholesteryl ester transfer protein and lipoproteins among Japanese hypercholesterolemic patients. Sasai K; Okumura-Noji K; Hibino T; Ikeuchi R; Sakuma N; Fujinami T; Yokoyama S. (Department of Biochemistry I, Nagoya City University Medical School, Nagoya, Japan.) CLINICAL CHEMISTRY, (1998 Jul) 44 (7) 1466-73. Journal code: DBZ; 9421549. ISSN: 0009-9147. Pub. country: United States. Language: English. Plasma cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) concentrations were measured in Japanese subjects by an ELISA with two different monoclonal antibodies that were raised against rabbit CETP and cross-reacted against human CETP. Among 63 patients who consecutively underwent coronary angiography, the plasma CETP of 37 patients with luminal stenosis > or = 50% in their coronary arteries was not significantly different from that of the 26 patients with luminal stenosis < 50%. No other lipoprotein-related measurement except HDL-cholesterol differentiated the two groups. Among 40 hypercholesterolemic patients, no lipoprotein-related measurement other than LDL-cholesterol was found to positive correlate with the CETP. Before and after the treatment of 23 patients with simvastatin 5 mg a day for 4 weeks, plasma CETP markedly decreased in those whose pretreatment CETP was > or = 3 mg/L; no change was observed for those with lower pretreatment CETP. In the former group, negative correlation between CETP and HDL-cholesterol was demonstrated only in the posttreatment plasma. L12 ANSWER 12 OF 25 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R) The Genuine Article (R) Number: 119MA. Role of female sex 1998:714948 steroids in regulating cholesteryl ester transfer protein in transgenic mice. Vadlamudi S; MacLean P; Green T; Shukla N; Bradfield J; Vore S; Barakat H (Reprint). E CAROLINA UNIV, SCH MED, DEPT BIOCHEM, GREENVILLE, NC 27858 (Reprint); E CAROLINA UNIV, SCH MED, DEPT BIOCHEM, GREENVILLE, NC 27858; E CAROLINA UNIV, SCH MED, DEPT COMPARAT MED, GREENVILLE, NC 27858. METABOLISM-CLINICA L AND EXPERIMENTAL (SEP 1998) Vol. 47, No. 9, pp. 1048-1051. Publisher: W B SAUNDERS CO. INDEPENDENCE SQUARE WEST CURTIS CENTER, STE 300, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19106-3399. ISSN: 0026-0495. Pub. country: USA. Language: English. *ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS* The role of sex steroids in the regulation of cholesteryl AB ester transfer protein (CETP) was examined in the following groups of female transgenic mice carrying the human CETP gene: (1) normal, (2) ovariectomized, (3) ovariectomized and treated with estrogen; (4) ovariectomized and treated with progesterone; (5) ovariectomized and treated with both hormones, and (6) ovariectomized and treated with tamoxifen. CETP activity was measured in the plasma, and in the particulate and the soluble fractions of liver, muscle, and adipose tissue, Human CETP specific activity was determined by taking the difference of cholesterol ester transfer in the presence and absence of an antibody (TP2) against human CETP. Ovariectomy reduced hormone levels, but did not completely abolish them from the circulation. Plasma CETP activity was

significantly reduced in the tamoxifen group. There were significant reductions in **CETP** in liver homogenate and the soluble fraction, as well as in the particulate fraction of adipose with ovariectomy. Hormone replacement did not restore **CETP** activity in either the

plasma or the tissues, Tamoxifin treatment resulted in a decrease in CETP activity in both fractions of liver, but had no effect on adipose. In the soluble fraction of adipose tissue and both fractions of muscle, only trace CETP activity was detected. We conclude that (1) minimal amounts of sex steroid hormones may be sufficient to affect CETP expression; (2) the effects of sex steroid hormones vary among tissues; and (3) in addition to the sex steroids, factor(s) from the ovary are needed for the full expression of CETP in this animal model. Copyright (C) 1998 by W.B. Saunders Company.

L12 ANSWER 13 OF 25 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R) 1998:652632 The Genuine Article (R) Number: 112MJ. Mechanism of action of probucol on cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) mRNA in a Chinese hamster ovary cell line that had been stably transfected with a human CETP gene. Ou J F; Saku K (Reprint); Jimi S; Ohta T; Zhang B; Pownall H J; Shimada Y; Tsujita Y; Arakawa K. FUKUOKA UNIV, SCH MED, DEPT INTERNAL MED, 45-1-7 NANKUMA JONANKU, FUKUOKA 81480, JAPAN (Reprint); FUKUOKA UNIV, SCH MED, DEPT INTERNAL MED, FUKUOKA 81480, JAPAN; FUKUOKA UNIV, SCH MED, DEPT PATHOL, FUKUOKA 81480, JAPAN; UNIV RYUKYUS, SCH MED, DEPT PEDIAT, OKINAWA 90301, JAPAN; BAYLOR COLL MED, DEPT INTERNAL MED, HOUSTON, TX 77030; SANKYO CO LTD, PHARMACOL & MOL BIOL RES LABS, TOKYO 140, JAPAN.

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ET BIOPHYSICA ACTA-LIPIDS AND LIPID METABOLISM (31 JUL 1998) Vol. 1393, No. 1, pp. 153-160. Publisher: ELSEVIER SCIENCE BV. PO BOX 211, 1000 AE AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS. ISSN: 0005-2760. Pub. country: JAPAN; USA. Language: English.

ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS

AB Probucol, a widely used lipid-lowering agent, is associated with a significant reduction of plasma high density lipoprotein (HDL) -cholesterol

levels. To examine the mechanism of probucol HDL-lowering and probucol's effects on cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) and cholesterol metabolism in cells, we used a Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) cell line that had been stably transfected with a human CETP gene (hCETP-CHO). After this cell line was incubated with various concentrations of probucol (5, 10 and 50 mu M) for 24 h, mean intracellular probucol concentrations reached 0.47, 0.67, and 1.52 mu g/mg cell protein, respectively. Northern blot analysis showed that cellular CETP mRNA was increased by probucol in a dose-dependent manner (137%, 162%, and 221% of the control, respectively).

The specific CET activity in the culture medium, measured as the percentage of [H-3]cholesterol oleate transferred from discoidal bilayer particles (which mimic HDL) to LDL, also increased in a dose-dependent manner. Intracellular total cholesterol levels were decreased to 87.5%, 74.9%, and 52.5% of the control, respectively. Probucol had no effects on HMG-CoA reductase activity or cholesterol synthesis from [1-C-14] acetate in hCETP-CHO. However, C-14-incorporated cholesterol secretion into the culture medium from hCETP-CHO was increased to 181%, 256% and 354% of the control by 5, 10 and 50 mu M probucol, respectively. We concluded that

(1) treatment with probucol increased the CETP mRNA level and specific CET activity in the hCETP-CHO cell line, and (2) probucol promoted cholesterol efflux from hCETP-CHO, which resulted in a decrease in intracellular cholesterol levels. (C) 1998 Elsevier Science B.V. All rights reserved.

L12 ANSWER 14 OF 25 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 3 1998270051 Document Number: 98270051. PubMed ID: 9607128. Lowering of serum cholesteryl ester transfer protein--but not lecithin:cholesterol acyltransferase--activity levels by hypocholesterolemic drugs in the rabbit. Meijer G W;

Groener J E; Beynen A C; Van Tol A. (Department of Laboratory Animal Science, University of Utrecht, The Netherlands.. Gert.Meijer@unilever.com) . CARDIOVASCULAR DRUGS AND THERAPY, (1998 Mar) 12 (1) 13-8. Journal code: AYG; 8712220. ISSN: 0920-3206. Pub. country: United States. Language: English.

AB Cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) and lecithin: cholesterol acyltransferase (LCAT) are important factors in the regulation of serum lipoprotein metabolism. Rabbits were fed hypocholesterolemic drugs to investigate the effect on serum CETP and LCAT activity levels. The activities were assayed using exogenous substrate assays and are an estimate of CETP and LCAT mass. Groups of eight rabbits were fed a cholesterol-free diet containing either 0.03% simvastatin or 1% cholestyramine for 6 weeks. For comparison eight rabbits were fed a cholesterol-free control diet without drugs or a diet containing 0.1% cholesterol for 6 weeks. Total serum and lipoprotein triglyceride concentrations were not different after intervention with the hypocholesterolemic drugs or the cholesterol diet. Dietary cholesterol induced higher VLDL, IDL, and LDL cholesterol, as well as serum CETP activity, as expected. Serum LCAT activity showed little change with intervention. Both simvastatin and cholestyramine tended to lead to decreased cholesterol in all lipoprotein fractions and caused a significant decrease in serum CETP activity when compared with the control diet. Both drugs also caused a significant lower LDL particle concentration, as judged from differences in LDL protein levels. Intervention with simvastatin or cholestyramine led to relatively cholesterol-poor LDL. These effects on LDL concentration and composition were opposite from the effects of cholesterol feeding. Differences in the cholesterol contents of VLDL and IDL were comparable with those in LDL. The results suggest that decreasing serum CETP activity levels by treatment with simvastatin or cholestyramine may contribute to lowering of cholesterol apo B-containing lipoproteins. The effects are additional to the well-known increase in hepatic LDL receptor activity, which is likely to be the most important factor in LDL cholesterol lowering by these drugs.

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1997:736947 Document No. 128:20966 Large versus small unilamellar vesicles mediate reverse cholesterol transport in vivo into two distinct hepatic metabolic pools: implications for the **treatment** of atherosclerosis. Rodrigueza, Wendi V.; Mazany, Kirstin D.; Essenburg, Arnold D.; Pape, Michael E.; Rea, Thomas J.; Bisgaier, Charles L.; Williams, Kevin Jon (Dep. Biochem., Med. Coll. Pennsylvania, Philadelphia,

PA, USA). Arterioscler., Thromb., Vasc. Biol., 17(10), 2132-2139 (English) 1997. CODEN: ATVBFA. ISSN: 1079-5642. Publisher: American Heart Association.

AB Phospholipid liposomes are synthetic mediators of "reverse" cholesterol transport from peripheral tissue to liver in vivo and can shrink atherosclerotic lesions in animals. Hepatic disposal of this cholesterol,

however, has not been examd. We compared hepatic effects of large (.apprxeq.120-nm) and small (.apprxeq.35-nm) unilamellar vesicles (LUVs and SUVs), both of which mediate reverse cholesterol transport in vivo

were previously shown to be targeted to different cell types within the liver. On days 1, 3, and 5, **rabbits** were i.v. injected with 300 mg phosphatidylcholine (LUVs or SUVs) per kg body wt. or with the equiv. vol. of saline. After each injection, LUV- and SUV-injected animals showed large increases in plasma concns. of unesterified cholesterol, indicating mobilization of tissue stores. After hepatic uptake of this cholesterol, however, SUV-treated animals developed persistently elevated plasma LDL concns., which by day 6 had increased to more than four times the values in saline-treated controls. In contrast, LUV-treated animals

showed normal LDL levels. By RNase protection assay, SUVs suppressed hepatic LDL receptor mRNA at day 6 (to 61.+-.4% of control, mean.+-.SEM), whereas LUVs caused a statistically insignificant stimulation. Hepatic HMG-COA reductase message was also significantly suppressed with SUV, but not LUV treatment, and hepatic 7.alpha.-hydroxylase message showed a similar trend. These data on hepatic mRNA levels indicate that SUVs, but not LUVs, substantially perturbed liver cholesterol homeostasis.

We conclude that LUVs and SUVs mobilize peripheral tissue cholesterol and deliver it to the liver, but to distinct metabolic pools that exert different regulatory effects. The effects of one of these artificial particles, SUVs, suggest that reverse cholesterol transport may not always

be benign. In contrast, LUVs may be a suitable therapeutic agent, because

they mobilize peripheral cholesterol to the liver without suppressing hepatic LDL receptor mRNA with without provoking a subsequent rise in plasma LDL levels.

L12 ANSWER 16 OF 25 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 4
97442869 Document Number: 97442869. PubMed ID: 9297800. Lack of effect
of

vitamin E on cholesteryl ester transfer and lipoprotein composition in cholesterol-fed rabbits. Liu X Q; Buchanan W; Matthews A J; Chung B H; Bagdade J D. (Department of Medicine, Rush Medical College, Chicago, IL 60612, USA.) COMPARATIVE BIOCHEMISTRY AND PHYSIOLOGY. PART

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 BIOCHEMISTRY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY, (1997 Aug) 117 (4) 553-9. Journal code: CF9; 9516061. ISSN: 1096-4959. Pub. country: ENGLAND: United Kingdom. Language: English.
- AB The concentration and activity of cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) is increased in plasma in hypercholesterolemic humans and in experimental animals fed cholesterol. While the concentration of lipo-proteins appears to be the major determinant of CETP activity, we have found previously that dietary measures and pharmacologic agents that alter their lipid composition reduce the activity of CETP in plasma (CET). Since vitamin E is lipophilic and is incorporated into lipoproteins, we have examined the question of whether it too attenuates CET in cholesterol-fed New Zealand White rabbits prior to and 14 weeks after treatment with differing doses (5, 15, 30, 45 mg/kg) of vitamin E. Plasma triglycerides (TG), cholesterol (TC) and phospholipids (Lys, Sph, Lec, PI, PE) all increased significantly to a comparable degree in the rabbits fed cholesterol compared to those fed chow (p < 0.05; p < 0.01); the levels achieved were similar in the vitamin E-treated and untreated groups. As was observed with plasma lipids, cholesteryl ester transfer (CET) was accelerated to the same degree in each of the cholesterol-fed groups independent of whether they received vitamin E compared to chow-fed controls (p < 0.01) and the distribution of cholesterol in apo-B containing lipoproteins (VLDL, IDL, and LDL) was similar in the vitamin E-treated and untreated groups. These findings indicate that vitamin E has no discernible effect on CET when cholesterol levels are markedly elevated.
- L12 ANSWER 17 OF 25 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2002 BIOSIS
- 1997:144273 Document No.: PREV199799443476. A plasmid-based vaccine to elicit autoantibodies to cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) for the prevention/treatment of atherosclerosis. Thomas, L. J.; Picard, M. D.; Stewart, S. E.; Waite, B. C. D.; Lin, A. Y.; Rittershaus, C. W.; Pettey, C. L.. T Cell Sci. Inc., Needham, MA USA. Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology, (1997) Vol. 99, No. 1 PART 2, pp. S187. Meeting Info.: Joint Meeting of the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology, the American Association of Immunologists and the Clinical Immunology Society San Francisco,

L12 ANSWER 18 OF 25 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 5
96292476 Document Number: 96292476. PubMed ID: 8728322. Expression and secretion of rabbit plasma cholesteryl ester transfer protein by Pichia pastoris. Kotake H; Li Q;
Ohnishi T; Ko K W; Agellon L B; Yokoyama S. (Lipid and Lipoprotein Research Group, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.) JOURNAL OF LIPID RESEARCH, (1996 Mar) 37 (3) 599-605. Journal code: IX3; 0376606. ISSN: 0022-2275. Pub. country: United States. Language: English.

AB The rabbit cholesteryl ester
transfer protein (CETP) was expressed in the
methylotrophic yeast Pichia pastoris by introducing the CETP
cDNA under the control of the methanol-inducible alcohol oxidase
promoter.

The cDNA was cloned from in vitro amplified cDNA of rabbit liver mRNA. The nucleotide sequence of the cloned cDNA differed slightly from the previously published sequence that changed the amino acid sequence in six residues. Interestingly, five of these replacements are identical to the corresponding residues in human CEPT. In addition, the encoded mature N-terminal sequence was changed from Cys- to Arg-Glu-Phe- to link the CETP sequence to the yeast acid phosphatase signal peptide. The culture medium of the transformed cells induced with 1% methanol contained

both cholesteryl ester and triglyceride transfer activity comparable to that of rabbit plasma. Like rabbit plasma, the lipid transfer activity in the medium could be inhibited by monoclonal antibodies that block CE/TG transfer or TG transfer alone. Immunoblot analysis of M(r) = 80 K and minor species of M(r) = 60-100 K. In spite of these differences, the specific transfer activity of the recombinant CETP was indistinguishable from that of rabbit plasma CETP of M(r) = 74 K. N-Glycosidase F treatment converted both the recombinant and plasma CETP to a single species of M(r) = 55 K. Both the plasma and recombinant CETP lost their activity after removal of N-linked carbohydrate and sialic acid. A single 55 K component was found in the cell-lysates. The intracellular form of the recombinant CETP was not modified by N-glycosidase F treatment. In conclusion, the recombinant CETP is synthesized as an inactive polypeptide that is processed and secreted as

functional glycoprotein. In addition, the N-terminal Cys residue of the plasma CETP is not required for its activity.

L12 ANSWER 19 OF 25 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R)
96:142093 The Genuine Article (R) Number: TV417. ETHANOL-INDUCED
REDISTRIBUTION OF CHOLESTERYL ESTER TRANSFER
PROTEIN (CETP) BETWEEN LIPOPROTEINS. HANNUKSELA M L;
RANTALA M; KESANIEMI Y A; SAVOLAINEN M J (Reprint). UNIV OULU, DEPT
INTERNAL MED, KAJAANINTIE 50, SF-90220 OULU, FINLAND (Reprint); UNIV
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DEPT INTERNAL MED, SF-90220 OULU, FINLAND; UNIV OULU, BIOCTR OULU, SF-90220 OULU, FINLAND. ARTERIOSCLEROSIS THROMBOSIS AND VASCULAR BIOLOGY (FEB 1996) Vol. 16, No. 2, pp. 213-221. ISSN: 1079-5642. Pub. country: FINLAND. Language: ENGLISH.

ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS

AB Since alcohol drinking reduces the concentration and activity of plasma

cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP), we investigated the effects of alcohol on its synthesis and secretion by perfusing rabbit livers for 4 hours in the absence or presence of ethanol. The quantity of CETP mRNA in the perfused livers did not differ between the control and ethanol (25 mmol/L or 50 mmol/L) perfusions. CETP activity was determined by incubating [H-3]cholesteryl ester-labeled human LDL and unlabeled human

HDL with the perfusion medium after removing the endogenous VLDL

by the perfused liver) by ultracentrifugation. CETP activity in the perfusion medium increased at a linear rate that was not affected by ethanol. When the VLDL was removed by precipitation with polyethylene glycol or a heparin-Sepharose column instead of ultracentrifugation, practically no CETP activity was detected in the ethanol perfusions, whereas these procedures did not affect CETP activity in the control perfusions. Inhibition of ethanol oxidation by 4-methylpyrazole resulted in CETP activity similar to that of the controls. We conclude that ethanol does not affect the synthesis or secretion of CETP, but its oxidation may alter the distribution of CETP in lipoproteins. CETP seems to be present in VLDL as well as in HDL, and since VLDL is more rapidly catabolized than HDL, this may explain the low plasma CETP concentration associated with alcohol consumption.

L12 ANSWER 20 OF 25 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R) 95:554334 The Genuine Article (R) Number: RN721. HIGH-DENSITY-LIPOPROTEIN

APOLIPOPROTEIN-A-I DEFICIENCY INDUCED BY COMBINATION THERAPY WITH PROBUCOL

AND BEZAFIBRATE. SAKU K (Reprint); ZHANG B; JIMI S; BAI H; HIRATA K; SASAKI N; LIU R; ARAKAWA K. FUKUOKA UNIV, SCH MED, DEPT INTERNAL MED, JONAN KU, 45-1-7 NANAKUMA, FUKUOKA 81401, JAPAN (Reprint). EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY (JUL 1995) Vol. 48, No. 3-4, pp. 209-215.

ISSN: 0031-6970. Pub. country: JAPAN. Language: ENGLISH. *ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS*

AR The effects of the administration of slow-release bezafibrate to hypercholesterolaemic patients who were already receiving long-term probucol treatment (mean 865 days, 500-1000 mg . day(-1)) were investigated. Bezafibrate was administered at either 200 mg . day(-1) (13 males, $\overline{13}$ females, mean age 55.2 years) or 400 mg . day(-1) ($\overline{11}$ males, $\overline{14}$ females, mean age 57.2 years), and blood was taken at 0, 3, 6 and 12 months after the beginning of combination therapy. Overall, serum total cholesterol (TC), triglyceride (TG), very low density lipoprotein (VLDL)-TC, high-density lipoprotein (HDL)-TG, VLDL-TG, VLDL-phospholipid (PL), lipoprotein (a) [Lp(a)], apolipoprotein (ape) C-III, apo E levels and LCAT activity decreased significantly with this combination therapy, while HDL cholesterol (C), HDL3-C, HDL-PL, apo A-I and apo A-II levels significantly increased, as assessed by analysis of variance (ANOVA).

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patients (one receiving 200 mg . day (-1), four receiving 400 mg . day(-1)

bezafibrate) showed drastic reductions in HDL-C (HDL-C levels were reduced

by a mean of 46.2%, 59.3% and 61.6% at 3, 6 and 12 months, respectively) after beginning combination therapy. These HDL-C reductions were maintained for the 1 year of combination therapy, but then returned to pre-combination treatment levels I month after discontinuation of bezafibrate. Serum probucol concentrations and cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) mass

were assayed at 6 months, and the probucol concentration was higher in the

HDL-deficient group (56.2 vs 26.5 mu g/ml). In contrast, CETP mass was significantly lower in HDL-deficient patients than in non-HDL-deficient patients (2.08 vs 2.87 mg . \hat{l} (-1)). When the patients

the non-HDL-deficient group were divided into two groups, receiving low(200 mg . day(-1), \tilde{n} = 25) and high (400 mg . day(-1) 21) doses of bezafibrate, the former group showed a significant increase in probucol-lowered HDL-C and apo A-I, although these levels did not return to pre-probucol treatment levels, while the latter group showed

no changes in HDL. These data suggest that the addition of a low dose of bezafibrate to probucol tended to reverse probucol-induced HDL lowering, while 9.8% (5 of 51 patients) of the patients exhibited a severe HDL deficiency. Since it is unclear whether or not such an extreme HDL reduction is harmful, HDL deficiency should be carefully monitored with this combination therapy.

L12 ANSWER 21 OF 25 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R) The Genuine Article (R) Number: FM030. INCREASE IN PLASMA CHOLESTERYL ESTER TRANSFER PROTEIN DURING PROBUCOL TREATMENT - RELATION TO CHANGES IN HIGH-DENSITY-LIPOPROTEIN COMPOSITION. MCPHERSON R (Reprint); HOGUE M; MILNE R W; TALL A R; MARCEL Y L. MCGILL UNIV, ROYAL VICTORIA HOSP, LIPID RES LAB, H7 90, 687 PINE AVE W, MONTREAL H3A 1A1, QUEBEC, CANADA (Reprint); CLIN RES INST MONTREAL, LIPOPROT METAB LAB, MONTREAL H2W 1R7, QUEBEC, CANADA; COLUMBIA UNIV COLL PHYS & SURG, DEPT MED, NEW YORK, NY, 10032. ARTERIOSCLEROSIS AND THROMBOSIS (1991) Vol. 11, No. 3, pp.

Pub. country: CANADA; USA. Language: ENGLISH. *ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS*

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AΒ Probucol is a hypolipidemic agent that causes a marked decrease in high

density lipoprotein (HDL) cholesterol. To investigate the mechanism of this effect, two studies were performed in hypercholesterolemic patients who had been stabilized previously on diet and were not receiving other lipid-lowering medication. Plasma cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) concentrations were measured in fasting plasma samples before and after 10 weeks of probucol

therapy using a sensitive and specific radioimmunoassay. Plasma total

low density lipoprotein cholesterol concentrations decreased, whereas apolipoprotein (apo) B was unchanged. Plasma apo E concentrations increased markedly. HDL cholesterol and apo A-I decreased in all subjects. These effects of probucol were accompanied by even more striking changes in plasma CETP concentrations, which increased by a mean of 64%. In a second study of six hypercholesterolemic subjects,

the time-course effects of probucol on CETP and HDL subspecies were studied. Significant increases in plasma apo E and in CETP occurred after 4 weeks, and CETP, but not apo E, increased further after 16 weeks of treatment. Concomitant and opposite changes occurred in HDL composition, with decreases in HDL cholesterol

lipoprotein containing apo A-I. The increase in plasma CETP concentrations, the decrease in HDL cholesterol, and the increase in plasma apo E concentrations observed during probucol treatment are changes consistent with a postulated increase in reverse cholesterol transport via the remnant pathway.

L12 ANSWER 22 OF 25 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R) The Genuine Article (R) Number: FD249. CU2+-MEDIATED OXIDATION OF 91:177611 DIALYZED PLASMA - EFFECTS ON LOW AND HIGH-DENSITY-LIPOPROTEINS AND CHOLESTERYL ESTER TRANSFER PROTEIN. ZAWADZKI Z; MILNE R W; MARCEL Y L (Reprint). CLIN RES INST MONTREAL, LIPOPROT MED LAB, 110 PINE AVE W, MONTREAL H2W 1R7, QUEBEC, CANADA. JOURNAL OF LIPID RESEARCH (1991) Vol. 32, No. 2, pp. 243-250. Pub. country: CANADA. Language: ENGLISH.

ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS AB We previously reported that the expression of an epitope of apolipoprotein B (apoB), mapped to the C-terminus and defined by antibody B(sol) 7, increased during Cu2+-mediated oxidation of isolated low density lipoprotein (LDL). We describe now the properties of B(sol)7 as a marker of LDL oxidation in whole plasma in relation to other effects of oxidative

treatment of plasma, such as the distribution of apoA-I and cholesteryl ester transfer protein

(CEPT). In dialyzed plasma, no LDL oxidation was detected at Cu2+ concentrations (5-mu-M) sufficient for extensive oxidation of isolated LDL. At a higher Cu2+ concentration (50-mu-M), an increased expression

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the B(sol)7 epitope was observed; at 250-mu-M Cu2+, other evidence of LDL oxidation was found. The pattern of LDL response to Cu2+ observed in dialyzed plasma could be reproduced by adding 3% bovine serum albumin to isolated LDL. We demonstrate that the effect of albumin most likely results from its ability to bind copper ions. Incubation of plasma with increasing concentration of Cu2+ resulted first in the disappearance of alpha-2-migrating HDL, the usual carrier of CETP; free CETP and high molecular weight apoA-I-containing particles were also generated during oxidation. Addition of oxidized, but not native, LDL to plasma resulted in a transfer to LDL of some of the CETP initially associated with apoA-I.

In conclusion, the increased immunoreactivity of the B(sol)7 epitope was the most sensitive parameter of LDL oxidation, but other parameters, such as the presence of alpha-2-HDL and CETP-lipoprotein associations were even more sensitive evidence of lipoprotein oxidation.

- L12 ANSWER 23 OF 25 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS
- 1989:450078 Document No. 111:50078 Enhanced cholesteryl ester transfer activity in cyclophosphamide-treated **rabbits**: relationship with lipolytic enzymes. Dousset, N.; Julia, A. M.; Chap, H.; Douste-Blazy, L. (Hop. Purpan, Toulouse, 31059, Fr.). Adv. Exp. Med. Biol., 243 (Eicosanoids, Apolipoproteins, Lipoprotein Part. Atheroscler.), 255-61 (English) 1988. CODEN: AEMBAP. ISSN: 0065-2598.
- ΆB The activity of cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) in rabbit blood plasma was studied by monitoring the radiolabeled cholesteryl ester transfer from high-d. (HDL) to very-low-d. lipoproteins (VLDL). The data were related to HDL and VLDL fractional and chem. compn. and to lipoprotein and triacylglycerol lipases activities in rabbits rendered hyperlipemic by cyclophosphamide (I; 65 mg/kg i.v.). I sharply increased plasma levels of triglycerides, cholesterol, VLDL, and VLDL free cholesterol and cholesteryl esters. HDL cholesterol esters decreased, while free cholesterol was unchanged. Apoprotein and triglycerides were increased in both HDL and VLDL. Lipoprotein lipase-treated control VLDL increased the intake of cholesteryl esters, while those from treated rabbits decreased the intake. The transport protein structure was unchanged by I treatment, but the transfer activity with native lipoproteins was higher than in controls. I apparently changes lipoprotein fraction ratios and compn. and inhibits lipoprotein lipase, but does not influence liver triacylglycerol lipase. Combination of these

changes increases the cholesteryl ester transfer between lipoprotein fractions in **rabbits** treated with I.

L12 ANSWER 24 OF 25 EMBASE COPYRIGHT 2002 ELSEVIER SCI. B.V.
87147784 EMBASE Document No.: 1987147784. Comparative molecular weight of cholesteryl ester transfer protein
from cyclophosphamide- and irradiation-treated rabbits: Size determination by radiation inactivation method. Loudet A.-M.; Dousset N.; Potier M.; et al.. INSERM Unite 101, Biochimie des Lipides, Hopital Purpan, 31059 Toulouse, France. Medical Science Research 15/5 (251-252)

CODEN: MSCREJ. Pub. Country: United Kingdom. Language: English.

Previous results concerning the cholesteryl transfer protein (CETP) activity between HDL and VLDL have led us to determine the molecular weight (Mr) of this molecule. In fact, we have observed an increase of CETP activity in antimitotic (cyclophosphamide) treated rabbit. In order to evaluate the molecular size of this protein,

we have chosen the radiation inactivation method because this technique can determine in certain conditions the size of the functional unit in situ. Results showed that this molecule was not influenced by antimitotic treatment since we obtained a Mr of about 71,000 and 72,000 respectively for control and cyclophosphamide-treated rabbits. A similar value was obtained for rabbits after total whole-body irradiation. Since the molecular size by radiation inactivation corresponds to the subunit of the enzyme, we can conclude that the functional unit of this enzyme, i.e. the minimal assembly of structure required for biological activity, is the subunit.

L12 ANSWER 25 OF 25 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 6
86000670 Document Number: 86000670. PubMed ID: 4041478. Triacylglycerol increase in plasma very low density lipoproteins in cyclophosphamidetreated rabbit: relationship with cholesteryl ester transfer activity. Loudet A M; Dousset N; Perret B; Ierides M; Carton M; Douste-Blazy L. BIOCHIMICA ET BIOPHYSICA ACTA, (1985 Oct 2) 836 (3) 376-84. Journal code: AOW; 0217513. ISSN: 0006-3002. Pub. country: Netherlands. Language: English.

AB We have studied the cholesteryl ester transfer between HDL and VLDL in cyclophosphamide-treated rabbits, in order to explain the abnormal cholesteryl ester partition between these two lipoprotein classes. The hypertriglyceridemia caused by treatment with the drug was associated with cholesteryl ester- and triacylglycerol-rich VLDL and with HDL poor in esterified cholesterol but relatively enriched in triacylglycerol. These two lipoprotein classes were characterized by their

chemical composition and by gel filtration chromatography. VLDL particles were slightly larger in size, compared with controls. Different transfer combinations were envisaged between these abnormal lipoproteins and control ones. The transfer study involved the plasma fraction of deteater

than 1.21 g/ml containing the **cholesteryl ester transfer protein** (**CETP**). It appeared that the
chemical composition of lipoproteins was responsible for the level of
cholesteryl ester transfer between lipoproteins. Actually, when the
cholesteryl ester acceptor lipoproteins (VLDL) were enriched in
triacylglycerol, the transfer was enhanced. Therefore, the effect of
lipolysis on the transfer has also been explored. Lipoprotein lipase
seemed to enhance the transfer of cholesteryl ester from HDL to VLDL when
these lipoproteins were normal, but an important decline was obtained

triacylglycerol-rich VLDL were lipolyzed. This study defines the relationship between lipoprotein chemical composition and transfer activity of cholesteryl ester from HDL to VLDL.

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1998:352957 Document No. 129:24159 A bicistronic adenovirus gene therapy
vector for treating pathological conditions linked with
dyslipoproteinemia. Benoit, Patrick; Duverger, Nicolas; Rouy, Didier;
Seguret, Sandrine (Rhone-Poulenc Rorer S.A., Fr.; Benoit, Patrick;

Duverger, Nicolas; Rouy, Didier; Seguret, Sandrine). PCT Int. Appl. WO 9822606 A1 19980528, 50 pp. DESIGNATED STATES: W: AL, AU, BA, BB, BG, BR, CA, CN, CU, CZ, EE, GE, GH, HU, ID, IL, IS, JP, KP, KR, LC, LK, LR, LT, LV, MG, MK, MN, MX, NO, NZ, PL, RO, RU, SG, SI, SK, SL, TR, TT, UA, US, UZ, VN, YU, ZW, AM, AZ, BY, KG, KZ, MD, RU, TJ, TM; RW: AT, BE, BF, BJ, CF, CG, CH, CI, CM, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GA, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, ML, MR, NE, NL, PT, SE, SN, TD, TG. (French). CODEN: PIXXD2. APPLICATION: WO 1997-FR2043 19971113. PRIORITY: FR 1996-13969 19961115.

A replication-defective adenovirus carrying a bicistronic expression AΒ cassette for a pair of genes for proteins or enzymes involved in the transport and metab. of cholesterol that uses a strong promoter and an IRES sequence to achieve high-level expression of both genes is described.

Genes for apolipoprotein AI or AIV, cholesterol ester transfer protein, hepatic lipase, and lecithin cholesterol acetyltransferase are used in combinations. The invention further concerns plasmid constructs useful for prepg. these adenovirus, and cells transformed by these plasmids or adenovirus and pharmaceutical compns. contg. said adenovirus.

L14 ANSWER 2 OF 9 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 1 1998318463 Document Number: 98318463. PubMed ID: 9611161. Remodeling of the HDL in NIDDM: a fundamental role for cholesteryl ester transfer protein. Castle C K; Kuiper S L; Blake W L; Paigen B; Marotti K R; Melchior G W. (Pharmacia and Upjohn, Inc., Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001, USA.) AMERICAN JOURNAL OF PHYSIOLOGY, (1998 Jun) 274 (6 Pt 1) E1091-8. Journal code: 3U8; 0370511. ISSN: 0002-9513. Pub. country: United States. Language: English. When the Ay gene is expressed in KK mice, the yellow offspring (KKAy AΒ

mice)

become obese, insulin resistant, hyperglycemic, and severely hypertriglyceridemic, yet they maintain extraordinarily high plasma high-density lipoprotein (HDL) levels. Mice lack the ability to redistribute neutral lipids among circulating lipoproteins, a process catalyzed in humans by cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP). To test the hypothesis that it is the absence of CETP that allows these hypertriglyceridemic mice to maintain high plasma HDL levels, simian CETP was expressed in the KKAy mouse. The KKAy-CETP mice retained the principal characteristics of KKAy mice except that their plasma HDL levels were reduced (from 159 +/- 25 to 25 +/- 6 mg/dl) and their free apolipoprotein A-I concentrations increased (from 7 + /- 3 to 22 + /- 6 mg/dl). These changes appeared to result from a CETP-induced enrichment of the HDL with triglyceride (from 6 +/- 2 to 60 +/- 18 mol of triglyceride/mol of $HDL_{
m D}$, an alteration that renders HDL susceptible to destruction by lipases. These data support the premise that CETP-mediated remodeling of the HDL is responsible for the low levels of that lipoprotein that accompany hypertriglyceridemic non-insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus.

L14 ANSWER 3 OF 9 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R) The Genuine Article (R) Number: ZQ830. Remodeling of the HDL in 1998:432129 NIDDM: a fundamental role for cholesteryl ester transfer protein. Castle C K; Kuiper S L; Blake W L; Paigen B; Marotti K R; Melchior G W (Reprint). PHARMACIA & UPJOHN INC, 7252-209-4, KALAMAZOO, MI 49001 (Reprint); PHARMACIA & UPJOHN INC, KALAMAZOO, MI 49001; JACKSON LAB, BAR HARBOR, ME 04609. AMERICAN JOURNAL OF PHYSIOLOGY-ENDOCRINOLOGY AND METABOLISM (JUN 1998) Vol. 37, No. 6, pp. E1091-E1098. Publisher: AMER PHYSIOLOGICAL SOC. 9650 ROCKVILLE PIKE, BETHESDA, MD 20814. ISSN: 0193-1849. Pub. country: USA. Language: English.

ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS When the Ar gene is expressed in KK mice, the yellow offspring (KKA(y) AB mice) become obese, insulin resistant, hyperglycemic, and severely hypertriglyceridemic, yet they maintain extraordinarily high plasma

high-density lipoprotein (HDL) levels. Mice lack the ability to redistribute neutral lipids among circulating lipoproteins, a process catalyzed in humans by cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP). To test the hypothesis that it is the absence of CETP that allows these hypertriglyceridemic mice to maintain high plasma HDL levels, simian CETP was expressed in the KKA(y) mouse. The KKA(y)-CETP mice retained the principal characteristics of KKA(y) mice except that their plasma HDL levels were reduced (from 159)

25 to 25 +/- 6 mg/dl) and their free apolipoprotein A-I concentrations increased (from 7 +/- 3 to 22 +/- 6 mg/dl). These changes appeared to result from a CETP-induced enrichment of the HDL with triglyceride (from 6 +/- 2 to 60 +/- 18 mol of triglyceride/mol of HDL), an alteration that renders HDL susceptible to destruction by lipases. These data support the premise that CETP-mediated remodeling of the HDL is responsible for the low levels of that lipoprotein that accompany hypertriglyceridemic non-insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus.

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1998:460511 Document No. 129:239293 Reverse cholesterol transport and utilization of transgenic mice and transgenic rabbits to test protective genes against atherosclerosis development. Fruchart, Jean-Charles; Duriez, Patrick (Departement d'Atherosclerose, INSERM U325, Institute Pasteur, Lille, 59019, Fr.). Bull. Acad. Natl. Med. (Paris), 182(2), 233-249 (French) 1998. CODEN: BANMAC. ISSN: 0001-4079. Publisher: Academie Nationale de Medecine.

AB A review and discussion with 30 refs. Atherosclerosis is the leading cause of death in industrial societies. In France, 215 men out of 100,000

aged from 25 to 64 yr old suffered a myocardial infarction in 1992 and 67 men out of 100,000 died due to this disease. Hypercholesterolemia corresponding to a high LDL cholesterol level is an important risk factor of myocardial infarction. Nevertheless a low cholesterol level in the

fraction (frequently assocd. with an increase in triglycerides concns.)

a common abnormality found in patients with confirmed coronary artery disease. Therefore, in addn. to reducing triglycerides and LDL cholesterol levels, a therapeutic strategy consists of increasing the serum HDL cholesterol concn. in order to improve the reverse cholesterol transport. Apo A-I is the major protein of HDL. Studies in mice and rabbits transgenic for human apo A-I showed that over-expression of this protein in these animals resulted in an increase in the HDL cholesterol level. The serum of these animals contains a high concn. of particles contg. human apo A-I but not mouse apo A-II (LpA-I) and presents a higher ability to induce cellular cholesterol efflux than the serum of control mice. These alterations result in a redn. of atherosclerosis development when these animals are submitted to a cholesterol rich diet. Lecithin cholesterol acyl-transferase (LCAT) is a major enzyme in the metabolic cascade leading to the return of cholesterol to the liver. The metabolic role of LCAT is to esterify the free cholesterol of native HDL. Native HDL acquires free cholesterol during the transfer of cholesterol from the cell membrane to the particle during the cellular cholesterol efflux, which is the first step of the reverse cholesterol transport. Mice and rabbits transgenic for human LCAT have higher HDL-cholesterol levels. Transgenic rabbits, but not transgenic mice, are protected against diet induced atherosclerosis development. Nevertheless, cholesterol fed mice which are transgenic for both human LCAT and simian cholesteryl ester transfer (CETP) protein do not develop atherosclerosis. This data indicates that over-prodn. of LCAT reduces atherosclerosis when CETP is naturally (rabbit) or artificially (CETP transgenic mice) expressed in the animals. Gene therapy in mice induced by adenovirus-mediated transfer of human apo A-I and LCAT genes also

increased circulating apo A-I and LCAT. Therefore apo A-I and LCAT are two potential targets for gene therapy in patients with atherosclerosis assocd. with a low HDL cholesterol level.

L14 ANSWER 5 OF 9 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 2
1998040286 Document Number: 98040286. PubMed ID: 9374130. Relationship between lipoprotein lipase and high density lipoprotein cholesterol in mice: modulation by cholesteryl ester transfer
protein and dietary status. Clee S M; Zhang H; Bissada N; Miao L;
Ehrenborg E; Benlian P; Shen G X; Angel A; LeBoeuf R C; Hayden M R.
(Department of Medical Genetics, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada.) JOURNAL OF LIPID RESEARCH, (1997 Oct) 38 (10) 2079-89. Journal code: IX3; 0376606. ISSN: 0022-2275. Pub. country: United States. Language: English.

Plasma lipoprotein lipase (LPL) activity correlates with high density lipoprotein (HDL) cholesterol levels in humans. However, in several mouse models created either through transgenesis or targeted inactivation of LPL, no significant changes in HDL cholesterol values have been evident. One possible explanation for this species difference could be the absence of plasma cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) activity in mice. To explore this possibility and further investigate interactions between LPL and CETP modulating HDL cholesterol levels in vivo, we examined the relationship between LPL activity and HDL levels in mice expressing the simian CETP transgene, compared with littermates not carrying the CETP gene. On a chow diet, increasing LPL activity was associated with a trend towards increased HDL levels (51 +/- 29 vs. 31

+/- 4 mg/dL highest vs. lowest tertiles of LPL activity, P = 0.07) in mice

expressing CETP, while no such effects were seen in the absence of CETP (65 +/- 12 vs. 61 +/- 15 mg/ dL). Furthermore, in the presence of CETP, a significant positive correlation between LPL activity and HDL cholesterol was evident (r = 0.15, P = 0.006), while in the absence of CETP no such correlation was detected (r = 0.15, P = 0.36), highlighting the interactions between LPL and CETP in vivo. When mice were challenged with a high fat, high carbohydrate diet, strong correlations between LPL activity and HDL cholesterol were seen in both the presence (r = 0.45, P = 0.03) and absence (r = 0.73, P < 0.001) of CETP. Therefore, under altered metabolic contexts, such as those induced by dietary challenge, the relation between LPL activity and HDL cholesterol may also become evident. Here we have shown that both genetic and environmental factors may modulate the association between

activity and HDL cholesterol, and provide explanations for the absence of any changes in HDL values in mice either transgenic or with targeted disruption of the LPL gene.

L14 ANSWER 6 OF 9 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 3
96210602 Document Number: 96210602. PubMed ID: 8633025. Centripetal cholesterol flux from extrahepatic organs to the liver is independent of the concentration of high density lipoprotein-cholesterol in plasma.

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Y; Woollett L A; Marotti K R; Melchior G W; Dietschy J M. (Department of Internal Medicine, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas

75235-8887, USA.) PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, (1996 Apr 30) 93 (9) 4114-9. Journal code: PV3;

7505876. ISSN: 0027-8424. Pub. country: United States. Language: English. AB High density lipoproteins (HDLs) play a role in two processes that include

the amelioration of atheroma formation and the centripetal flow of cholesterol from the extrahepatic organs to the liver. This study tests

the hypothesis that the flow of sterol from the peripheral organs to the liver is dependent upon circulating HDL concentrations. Transgenic C57BL/6
mice were used that expressed variable amounts of simian cholesteryl ester-transfer protein (

CETP). The rate of centripetal cholesterol flux was quantitated as the sum of the rates of cholesterol synthesis and low density lipoprotein-cholesterol uptake in the extrahepatic tissues. Steady-state concentrations of cholesterol carried in HDL (HDL-C) varied from 59 to 15 mg/dl and those of apolipoprotein AI from 138 to 65 mg/dl between the control mice (CETPC) and those maximally expressing the transfer protein

CETP+). There was no difference in the size of the extrahepatic cholesterol pools in the CETPc and CETP+ animals. Similarly, the rates of cholesterol synthesis (83 and 80 mg/day per kg, respectively)

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cholesterol carried in low density lipoprotein uptake (4 and 3 mg/day per kg, respectively) were virtually identical in the two groups. Thus, under circumstances where the steady-state concentration of HDL-C varied -fold,

the centripetal flux of cholesterol from the peripheral organs to the liver was essentially constant at approximately 87 mg/day per kg. These studies demonstrate that neither the concentration of HDL-C or apolipoprotein AI nor the level of **CETP** activity dictates the magnitude of centripetal cholesterol flux from the extrahepatic organs to the liver, at least in the mouse.

L14 ANSWER 7 OF 9 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 4
95096086 Document Number: 95096086. PubMed ID: 7798236. Co-expression of
cholesteryl ester transfer protein
and defective apolipoprotein E in transgenic mice alters plasma
cholesterol distribution. Implications for the pathogenesis of type III
hyperlipoproteinemia. Fazio S; Marotti K R; Lee Y L; Castle C K; Melchior
G W; Rall S C Jr. (Gladstone Institute of Cardiovascular Disease,
University of California, San Francisco 94141.) JOURNAL OF BIOLOGICAL

CHEMISTRY, (1994 Dec 23) 269 (51) 32368-72. Journal code: HIV; 2985121R.

ISSN: 0021-9258. Pub. country: United States. Language: English.

Despite the definite etiologic link between apolipoprotein (apo) E mutations and type III hyperlipoproteinemia (HLP), it is not clear what additional factors are involved in the development of florid hyperlipidemia and how to explain the wide variability in the expression of the hyperlipidemic phenotype in carriers of receptor binding-defective apoE variants. The present study was designed to determine whether the overexpression of cholesteryl ester transfer

protein (CETP), a plasma protein that transfers cholesteryl esters from the high density lipoproteins (HDL) to the very low density lipoproteins (VLDL) and whose activity is increased in hyperlipidemic states, plays a role in the development of hyperlipidemia and beta-VLDL accumulation in type III HLP. We produced double-transgenic mice that co-expressed high levels of simian CETP and either high or low levels of a human receptor binding-defective apoE variant, apoE(Cys-142). We previously reported that apoE(Cys-142) high-expresser mice showed spontaneous hyperlipidemia and accumulation of beta-VLDL, whereas the low-expresser mice showed only a modest increase

VLDL cholesterol. Co-expression of CETP induced a massive transfer of cholesteryl esters from the HDL to the VLDL in both lines of double-transgenic mice. As a result, HDL cholesterol and apoA-I levels were reduced to about 50% of normal, VLDL cholesterol increased 2.5-fold, and the cholesteryl ester content of VLDL reached values similar to those observed in human beta-VLDL. The ratio of defective to normal apoE in

was unaffected by **CETP** co-expression and was higher in animals expressing high apoE levels. Finally, in spite of an increased

accumulation of beta-VLDL in the high-expresser mice, the VLDL of the low-expresser mice maintained pre-beta mobility upon co-expression of CETP. The results of this study demonstrate that the ratio of defective to normal apoE on the VLDL, rather than the cholesteryl ester content of VLDL, is the major factor determining the development of severe

hyperlipidemia and the formation and accumulation of beta-VLDL in type III HLP.

L14 ANSWER 8 OF 9 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 5 94179173 Document Number: 94179173. PubMed ID: 8132527. Apolipoprotein A-I metabolism in cholesteryl ester transfer protein transgenic mice. Insights into the mechanisms responsible for low plasma high density lipoprotein levels. Melchior G W; Castle C K; Murray R W; Blake W L; Dinh D M; Marotti K R. (Department of Metabolic Diseases Research, Upjohn Laboratories, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001.) JOURNAL OF BIOLOGICAL CHEMISTRY, (1994 Mar 18) 269 (11) 8044-51. Journal code: HIV; 2985121R. ISSN: 0021-9258. Pub. country: United States. Language: English.

AB Expression of simian cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) in C57BL/6 mice causes the animals' high density lipoprotein (HDL) levels to decrease. The purpose of these studies was to determine how CETP expression caused that reduction. Chemical analysis showed that the HDL of the CETP transgenic mice had about twice as much triglyceride and only about 60% as much cholesteryl ester as the HDL from the C57BL/6 mice.

Both

strains of mouse had high levels of a circulating lipase. When plasma from

the mice was incubated at 37 degrees C for 5 h, the triglycerides in the HDL were hydrolyzed, and apoA-I was shed from the particle. However, apoA-I was shed from the CETP HDL more rapidly than it was shed from the C57BL/6 HDL. Because "free" apoA-I is rapidly cleared by the kidney, increased production of free apoA-I would be expected to shorten the average life span of apoA-I in the mouse. Kinetic analyses indicated that the life span of apoA-I was significantly reduced in the CETP transgenic mice. It was concluded that CETP expression enriched the core of the HDL with triglyceride, which rendered it vulnerable to lipolysis, causing apoA-I to be shed from the particle. That shortened

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life span of apoA-I in the CETP mice, which led to lower plasma levels of the protein.

L14ANSWER 9 OF 9 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 6 93302855 Document Number: 93302855. PubMed ID: 8316302. atherosclerosis in transgenic mice expressing simian cholesteryl ester transfer protein. Marotti K R; Castle C K; Boyle T P; Lin A H; Murray R W; Melchior G W.

(Molecular Biology Research and Metabolic Diseases Research, Upjohn Laboratories, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001.) NATURE, (1993 Jul 1) 364 (6432)

Journal code: NSC; 0410462. ISSN: 0028-0836. Pub. country: 73-5. ENGLAND:

United Kingdom. Language: English.

Cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) is a plasma protein that mediates the exchange of neutral lipids among the lipoprotein. Because the principal core lipid of very-low-density lipoprotein (VLDL) is triglyceride and that of high-density lipoprotein (HDL) is cholesterol ester, CETP mediates a 'heteroexchange' of cholesterol ester for triglyceride between those lipoproteins. As a result, animals that express CETP tend to have higher VLDL and low-density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol levels, whereas those with no CETP activity tend to have high HDL

cholesterol levels. Because VLDL and LDL are associated with the progression of atherosclerosis, and HDL are considered anti-atherogenic, CETP could be an 'atherogenic' protein, that is, given the other conditions required for atherosclerosis to develop, expression of CETP would accelerate the rate at which the arterial lesions progress. We report here that transgenic mice expressing CETP had much worse atherosclerosis than did non-expressing controls, and we suggest that the increase in lesion severity was due largely to CETP-induced alterations in the lipoprotein profile.

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L17 ANSWER 1 OF 22 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R)
2001:563015 The Genuine Article (R) Number: 451VP. Cholesteryl
ester transfer protein biosynthesis and
cellular cholesterol homeostasis are tightly interconnected. Izem L;
Morton R E (Reprint). Cleveland Clin Fdn, Dept Cell Biol, Lerner Res
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9500 Euclid Ave, NC10, Cleveland, OH 44195 USA (Reprint); Cleveland Clin Fdn, Dept Cell Biol, Lerner Res Inst, Cleveland, OH 44195 USA. JOURNAL OF BIOLOGICAL CHEMISTRY (13 JUL 2001) Vol. 276, No. 28, pp. 26534-26541. Publisher: AMER SOC BIOCHEMISTRY MOLECULAR BIOLOGY INC. 9650 ROCKVILLE PIKE, BETHESDA, MD 20814 USA. ISSN: 0021-9258. Pub. country: USA. Language: English.

ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS

AB Cholesteryl ester transfer
protein (CETP) mediates triglyceride and cholesteryl
eater (CE) transfer between lipoproteins, and its activity is strongly
modulated by dietary cholesterol. To better understand the regulation of
CETP synthesis and the relationship between CETP levels
and cellular lipid metabolism, we selected the SW872 adipocytic cell line
as a model. These cells secrete CETP in a time-dependent manner
at levels exceeding those observed for Caco-2 or HepG2 cells. The
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of LDL, 250H-cholesterol, oleic acid, or acetylated LDL to SW872 cells increased CETP secretion (activity and mass) up to 6-fold. In contrast, CETP production was decreased by almost 60% after treatment with lipoprotein-deficient serum or P-cyclodextrin, These effects, which were paralleled by changes in CETP mRNA, show that CETP biosynthesis in SW872 cells directly correlates with cellular lipid status. To investigate a possible, reciprocal relationship between CETP expression and cellular lipid homeostasis, CETP biosynthesis in SW872 cells was suppressed with CETP antisense oligonucleotides. Antisense oligonucleotides reduced CETP secretion (activity and mass) by 60% compared with sense-treated cells. When CETP synthesis was suppressed for 24 h, triglyceride synthesis was unchanged, but cholesterol biosynthesis was reduced by 20%, and acetate incorporation into CE increased 31%, After 3 days of suppressed CETP synthesis, acetate incorporation into

the CE pool increased 3-fold over control. This mirrored a similar increase in CE mass. The efflux of free cholesterol to HDL was the same

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sense and antisense-treated cells; however, HDL-induced CE hydrolysis in antisense-treated cells was diminished a-fold even though neutral CE hydrolase activity was unchanged. Thus, CETP-compromised SW872 cells display a phenotype characterized by inefficient mobilization of CE stores leading to CE accumulation. These results strongly suggest that CETP expression levels contribute to normal cholesterol homeostasis in adipocytic cells. Overall, these studies demonstrate that lipid homeostasis and CETP expression are tightly coupled.

L17 ANSWER 2 OF 22 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS
2001:367830 Document No. 135:120741 Analysis of glomerulosclerosis and atherosclerosis in lecithin cholesterol acyltransferase-deficient mice. Lambert, Gilles; Sakai, Naohiko; Vaisman, Boris L.;
Neufeld, Edward B.; Marteyn, Benoit; Chan, Chi-Chao; Paigen, Beverly;
Lupia Enrico: Thomas Alton: Striker Lilians L.

Lupia, Enrico; Thomas, Alton; Striker, Liliane J.; Blanchette-Mackie, Joan; Csako, Gyorgy; Brady, John N.; Costello, Rene; Striker, Gary E.; Remaley, Alan T.; Brewer, H. Bryan, Jr.; Santamarina-Fojo, Silvia (Molecular Disease Branch, NHLBI, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda.

MD, 20892, USA). J. Biol. Chem., 276(18), 15090-15098 (English) 2001. CODEN: JBCHA3. ISSN: 0021-9258. Publisher: American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology.

AB To evaluate the biochem. and mol. mechanisms leading to glomerulosclerosis

and the variable development of atherosclerosis in patients with familial lecithin cholesterol acyl transferase (LCAT) deficiency, we generated LCAT

knockout (KO) mice and cross-bred them with apolipoprotein (apo) E KO, low d. lipoprotein receptor (LDLr) KO, and cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP)

transgenic mice. LCAT-KO mice had normochromic normocytic anemia with increased reticulocyte and target cell counts as well as decreased red blood cell osmotic fragility. A subset of LCAT-KO mice accumulated lipoprotein X and developed protein-uria and glomerulosclerosis characterized by mesangial cell proliferation, sclerosis, lipid accumulation, and deposition of electron dense material throughout the glomeruli. LCAT deficiency reduced the plasma high d. lipoprotein (HDL) cholesterol (-70 to -94%) and non-HDL cholesterol (-48 to -85%) levels in control, apoE-KO, LDLr-KO, and cholesteryl ester transfer protein-Tg mice.

Transcriptome and Western blot anal. demonstrated up-regulation of hepatic

LDLr and apoE expression in LCAT-KO mice. Despite decreased HDL, aortic atherosclerosis was significantly reduced (-35% to -99%) in all mouse models with LCAT deficiency. Our studies indicate (i) that the plasma levels of apoB contg. lipoproteins rather than HDL may det. the atherogenic risk of patients with hypoalphalipoproteinemia due

LCAT deficiency and (ii) a potential etiol. role for lipoproteins \boldsymbol{X} in the

development of glomerulosclerosis in LCAT deficiency. The availability of

LCAT-KO mice characterized by lipid, hematol., and renal abnormalities similar to familial LCAT deficiency patients will permit future evaluation of LCAT gene transfer as a possible treatment for glomerulosclerosis in LCAT-deficient states.

L17 ANSWER 3 OF 22 EMBASE COPYRIGHT 2002 ELSEVIER SCI. B.V. 2001404056 EMBASE Novel agents for managing dyslipidaemia. Best J.D.; Jenkins

A.J.. J.D. Best, University of Melbourne, Department of Medicine, St

Vincent's Hospital Melbourne, Melbourne, Vic. 3065, Australia. jdbest@unimelb.edu.au. Expert Opinion on Investigational Drugs 10/11 (1901-1911) 2001.

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AB An elevated low-density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol level is a strong predictor of coronary heart disease (CHD) risk. Over the past seven years,

equally strong evidence has accumulated that lowering LDL cholesterol with

HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors or statins reduces CHD risk and there is now widespread use of these agents for the primary and secondary prevention of

CHD. Treatment issues remain regarding the appropriate degree of LDL cholesterol reduction and whether, in people with very high levels,

would be preferable to achieve the LDL cholesterol goal with a powerful statin alone or combined with an agent that lowers LDL cholesterol by a different mechanism. The main focus in the development of novel agents is the patient with low high-density lipoprotein (HDL) cholesterol, usually associated with hypertriglyceridaemia. Already prevalent as a risk factor for CHD, this abnormality has been linked with insulin resistance, which is likely to increase greatly over the next decade, along with increasing obesity and diabetes. Agents that have potent HDL cholesterol raising capacity include cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) inhibitors, retinoid X receptor (RXR) selective agonists, specific peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor (PPAR) agonists and oestrogen-like compounds. Another area of development involves agents that will lower both cholesterol and triglyceride levels, such as partial inhibitors of microsomal triglyceride transfer protein (MTP) and perhaps squalene synthase inhibitors and agonists of AMP kinase.

Future emphasis will be on correcting all lipid abnormalities for the prevention of CHD, not just lowering LDL cholesterol.

L17 ANSWER 4 OF 22 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R)
2001:391390 The Genuine Article (R) Number: 428QP. Cholesteryl
ester transfer protein inhibitors. Shinkai H
(Reprint). JT Inc, Cent Pharmaceut Res Inst, 1-1 Murasaki Cho, Takatsuki,
Osaka 5691125, Japan (Reprint); JT Inc, Cent Pharmaceut Res Inst,
Takatsuki, Osaka 5691125, Japan. EXPERT OPINION ON THERAPEUTIC PATENTS
(MAY 2001) Vol. 11, No. 5, pp. 739-745. Publisher: ASHLEY PUBLICATIONS

. UNITEC HOUSE, 3RD FL, 2 ALBERT PLACE FINCHLEY CENTRAL, LONDON N3 1QB, ENGLAND. ISSN: 1354-3776. Pub. country: Japan. Language: English. *ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS*

AB As well as hypercholesterolaemia, low levels of high-density lipoprotein cholesterol (HDL;C) are critical risk factors for atherosclerosis and coronary heart disease (CHD). Although fibrate, simvastatin and niacin can be used for the **treatment** of a low HDL-C level, their effects, however, are not wholly satisfactory. Thus, better drugs for the elevation of HDL-C are desired. Among the many methods that mag; be used to raise HDL-C levels, this review focuses on small molecule inhibitors of **cholesteryl ester** transfer protein (CETP) and summarises recent patent and journal data.

L17 ANSWER 5 OF 22 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R)
2001:609792 The Genuine Article (R) Number: 454YZ. Plasma cholesteryl
ester transfer protein and lipoprotein levels
during treatment of growth hormone-deficient adult humans.
Carrilho A J F; Cunha-Neto M B; Nunes V S; Lottenberg A M P; Medina W L;
Nakandakare E R; Musolino N R; Bronstein M D; Quintao E C R (Reprint).

Univ Sao Paulo, Sch Med, Lipids Lab LIM 10, Av Dr Arnaldo 455, Room 3317, BR-01246903 Sao Paulo, Brazil (Reprint); Univ Sao Paulo, Sch Med, Lipids Lab LIM 10, BR-01246903 Sao Paulo, Brazil; Univ Sao Paulo, Sch Med, Dept Psychiat, Neurosurg Div, Neuroendocrine Unit, BR-01246903 Sao Paulo, Brazil. LIPIDS (JUN 2001) Vol. 36, No. 6, pp. 549-554. Publisher: AMER

CHEMISTS SOC A O C S PRESS. 1608 BROADMOOR DRIVE, CHAMPAIGN, IL 61821-0489

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USA. ISSN: 0024-4201. Pub. country: Brazil. Language: English. *ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS*

The incidence of atherosclerosis is increased in growth hormone (GH) deficient-individuals. Nonetheless, the antiatherogenic benefits of GH replacement therapy remain uncertain. In this study the effect of human recombinant growth hormone (hrGH) replacement therapy administered to GH-deficient adults on the plasma cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) concentration and activity was analyzed. These findings were related to changes in the concentrations of the plasma lipoproteins. The hrGH was administered for 12 mon to human GH-deficient patients (n = 13; 8 men, 5 women). During the

study plasma lipoproteins were separated by ultracentrifugation, and plasma cholesterol esterification rate (CER), endogenous CETP activity, and CETP concentration were measured. GH replacement therapy transiently (at 3 mon) lowered plasma concentration of CETP and low density lipoprotein-cholesterol (LDL-C) and raised total triglycerides. Furthermore, hrGH permanently increased both the plasma lipoprotein(a) [Lp(a)] concentration, which is known as atherogenic, and the proportion of cholesteryl ester in the high density lipoprotein(2) (HDL2) particles, which is potentially atheroprotective. The simultaneous decrease of the plasma CETP and LDL-C concentrations elicited by hrGH indicated a close relationship between

metabolism and the regulation of the CETP gene expression. Endogenous CETP activity and the CER were not modified because these parameters are regulated in opposite ways by plasma levels of triglycerides; that is, CER increased and CETP decreased.

L17 ANSWER 6 OF 22 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R)

2000:929883 The Genuine Article (R) Number: 379AL. Human apolipoprotein C-I accounts for the ability of plasma nigh density lipoproteins to inhibit the cholesteryl ester transfer protein activity. Gautier T; Masson D; deBarros J P P; Athias A;

Gambert P; Aunis D; MetzBoutigue M H; Lagrost L (Reprint). HOP BOCAGE, INSERM U498, LAB BIOCHIM LIPOPROT, BP1542, F-21034 DIJON, FRANCE (Reprint); HOP BOCAGE, INSERM U498, LAB BIOCHIM LIPOPROT, F-21034 DIJON, FRANCE; CNRS, CTR NEUROCHIM, INSERM U338, LAB BIOL COMMUN CELLULAIRE, F-67084 STRASBOURG, FRANCE. JOURNAL OF BIOLOGICAL CHEMISTRY (1 DEC 2000) Vol. 275, No. 48, pp. 37504-37509. Publisher: AMER SOC BIOCHEMISTRY MOLECULAR BIOLOGY INC. 9650 ROCKVILLE PIKE, BETHESDA, MD 20814. ISSN: 0021-9258. Pub. country: FRANCE. Language: English.
ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS

AB The aim of the present study was to identify the protein that accounts for the cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP)-inhibitory activity that is specifically associated with human plasma high density lipoproteins (HDL). To this end.

human HDL apolipoproteins were fractionated by preparative polyacrylamide gradient gel electrophoresis, and 30 distinct protein fractions with molecular masses ranging from 80 down to 2 kDa were tested for their ability to inhibit CETP activity. One single apolipoprotein fraction was able to completely inhibit CETP activity. The N-terminal sequence of the 6-kDa protein inhibitor matched the N-terminal sequence of human apoC-I, the inhibition was completely blocked by specific anti-apolipoprotein C-I antibodies, and mass spectrometry

analysis confirmed the identity of the isolated inhibitor with ${\tt full-length}$

human apoC-I. Pure apoC-I was able to abolish CETP activity in a concentration-dependent manner and with a high efficiency (IC50 = 100 nmol/liter). The inhibitory potency of total delipidated HDL apolipoproteins completely disappeared after a treatment with anti-apolipoprotein C-I antibodies, and the apoC-I deprivation of native plasma HDL by immunoaffinity chromatography produced a mean 43% rise in cholesteryl ester transfer rates. The main localization of apoC-I in HDL and not in low density lipoprotein in normolipidemic plasma provides further support for the specific property of HDL in inhibiting CETP activity.

L17 ANSWER 7 OF 22 EMBASE COPYRIGHT 2002 ELSEVIER SCI. B.V.DUPLICATE 1 2000340498 EMBASE Differential expression of **cholestery1**

ester transfer protein in the liver and plasma of fasted and fed transgenic mice. MacLean P.S.; Vadlamudi S.; Hao E.; Barakat H.A.. Dr. H. Barakat, Department of Biochemistry, East Carolina Univ. School of Med., Greenville, NC 27858, United States. Journal of Nutritional Biochemistry 11/6 (318-325) 2000. Refs: 31.

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Publisher Ident.: S 0955-2863(00)00084-X. Pub. Country: United States. Language: English. Summary Language: English.

AB Because cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) is considered a potential target in the treatment of atherosclerosis, several reports have focused on the regulation of this enzyme, and there is evidence that insulin may be a regulatory factor. The present study examines the differential expression of the human CETP gene between physiologic conditions that are accompanied by low (fasted) and high (fed) insulin levels. CETP expression was examined in plasma and tissues of transgenic mice expressing the human CETP minigene after 12 hours of fasting (n = 20) or ad libitum feeding (n = 20) with normal mouse chow. Plasma cholesteryl ester transfer activity (CETA) was 20% higher in fed than in fasted mice, reflecting higher levels of CETP (P < 0.05). This observation was accompanied by higher liver mRNA in fed mice (100%, P < 0.05), as determined by ribonuclease protection assays, as well as by higher CETA (23%, P < 0.05) and CETP mass (29%, P < 0.05) in the particulate fraction of liver homogenates. These parameters of liver CETP expression correlated well with each other, as well as with plasma CETA. CETP in the liver particulate fraction was found as a doublet (approximately 70 and 65 kDa),

which resolved to a single band (approximately 60 kDa) upon deglycosylation. No differences in CETP expression were observed in pooled adipose tissue samples from fed and fasted mice. Insulin and glucose were not related to any plasma or tissue parameter of CETP expression. In summary, the concerted, differential expression of CETP in the liver of fed and fasted transgenic mice appears to contribute to higher plasma CETP levels in fed mice, but the precise role of insulin and glucose in regulating CETP expression under fasted and fed conditions needs to be defined. (C) Elsevier Science Inc. 2000.

L17 ANSWER 8 OF 22 EMBASE COPYRIGHT 2002 ELSEVIER SCI. B.V. 2000326614 EMBASE Antiatherogenic effect of the extract of Allium victorialis

on the experimental atherosclerosis in the rabbit and transgenic mouse. Tae Gyn Kim; Seung Hee Kim; Soeg Youn Kang; Ki Kyung Jung; Don Ha Choi; Yong Bok Park; Jong Hoon Ryu; Hyung Mee Han. H.M. Han, Natl. Inst. of Toxicological Res., Korea Food and Drug Administration, Seoul 122-704, Korea, Republic of. Korean Journal of Pharmacognosy 31/2 (149-156) 2000.

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Language: Korean. Summary Language: English.

Atherosclerosis is emerging as one of the major causes of death in Korea as well as Western societies. In the present study, hypocholesterolemic and antiatherogenic effects of the ethanol extract of Allium victorialis Makino was investigated using the conventional rabbit and the cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) - transgenic mouse model. Hypercholesterolemia was induced by feeding high cholesterol diet to the animals for 30 days and they were then fed with high cholesterol diet containing 0.5% of the A. victorialis extract for additional 30 (or 40) days. In the experiment using rabbits, treatment with the A. victorialis extract significantly decreased plasma total cholesterol, low density lipoprotein (LDL)-cholesterol, triglyceride levels and lipid peroxidation compared to those in the control group. Total cholesterol contents in the liver and the heart were also significantly decreased. Lipid staining of the aorta isolated from the rabbits showed that treatment with the A. victorialis extract decreased formation of atheromatous plaques on the intima of the aorta. In the experiment employing CETP transgenic mouse model, treatment with the A. victorialis extract decreased the levels of plasma total cholesterol and the tissue triglyceride levels in the heart. These results demonstrated that the ethanol extract of A. victorialis lowered serum cholesterol levels, tissue

lipid contents and accumulation of cholesterol in the artery.

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2000:686723 The Genuine Article (R) Number: 351CE. Insulin does not regulate the promoter of Cholesteryl Ester Transfer

Protein (CETP) in HIRc/pCETP-CAT cells. MacLean P S;

Barakat H A (Reprint). E CAROLINA UNIV, SCH MED, DEPT BIOCHEM, GREENVILLE,

NC 27858 (Reprint); E CAROLINA UNIV, SCH MED, DEPT BIOCHEM, GREENVILLE, NC

27858. MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR BIOCHEMISTRY (AUG 2000) Vol. 211, No. 1-2, pp. 1-7. Publisher: KLUWER ACADEMIC PUBL. SPUIBOULEVARD 50, PO BOX 17, 3300 AA DORDRECHT, NETHERLANDS. ISSN: 0300-8177. Pub. country: USA. Language: English.

ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS

Cholesteryl ester transfer AB

protein (CETP) is a plasma enzyme involved in cholesterol metabolism. As a potential target in the treatment of atherosclerosis, a number of studies have focused how this enzyme is regulated. It has been postulated that insulin may regulate CETP gene expression, and these effects may be mediated through CCAAT/enhancer binding protein alpha (C/EBP alpha). The present study examines the effects of insulin on the activity of the CETP promoter in rat fibroblasts expressing the human insulin receptor (HIRc). HIRc cells were stably transfected with a chimeric construct containing 3.2 kb of the CETP promoter attached to the bacterial chloramphenicol acyltransferase gene (pCETP-CAT) without significantly affecting the expression of the insulin receptor. CAT activity was 8-fold higher in cultured HIRc/pCETP-CAT in the presence of 100 mg/dL LDL cholesterol,

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those cultured without cholesterol (p < 0.05). However, culturing these cells in the presence of 100 nM insulin did not result in any change in CAT activity when compared to control cells. In HIRc/pCETP-CAT cells transiently transfected with a construct that constitutively expressed C/EBP alpha protein, a 3-fold increase in CAT activity was observed when compared to cells transiently transfected with non-specific DNA (p $\mathrel{<}$ 0.05). However, no observable effect on the ${\tt CETP}$ promoter was observed in the presence of insulin. Thus, in HIRC/pCETP-CAT cells, we were unable to substantiate the hypothesis that insulin regulates

CETP gene transcription. These results suggest that the effects of insulin on **CETP** expression regulation may be downstream of transcription.

L17 ANSWER 10 OF 22 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS 1999:282118 Document No. 130:310673 Xenogeneic cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) for modulation of CETP activity in treatment of atherosclerosis. Rittershaus, Charles W.; Thomas, Lawrence J. (Avant Immunotherapeutics, Inc., USA). PCT Int. Appl. WO 9920302 A1 19990429, 62 pp. DESIGNATED STATES: W: AL, AM, AT, AU, AZ, BA, BB, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CU, CZ, DE, DK, EE, ES, FI, GB, GE, GH, GM, HR, HU, ID, IL, IS, JP, KE, KG, KP, KR, KZ, LC, LK, LR, LS, LT, LU, LV, MD, MG, MK, MN, MW, MX, NO, NZ, PL, PT, RO, RU, SD, SE, SG, SI, SK, SL, TJ, TM, TR, TT, UA, UG, US, UZ, VN, YU, ZW, AM, AZ, BY, KG, KZ, MD, RU, TJ, TM; RW: AT, BE, BF, BJ, CF, CG, CH, CI, CM, CY, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GA, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, ML, MR, NE, NL, PT, SE, SN, TD, TG. (English). CODEN: PIXXD2. APPLICATION: WO 1998-US22145 19981020. PRIORITY: US 1997-954643 19971020. Methods for modulating cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) activity and the plasma levels of lipoproteins involved in heart disease involve administration of a non-endogenous CETP or a plasmid-based vaccine for expression of such non-endogenous CETP to elicit prodn. in a mammal of antibodies that recognize (bind to) the mammal's native (endogenous) CETP. ANSWER 11 OF 22 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R) The Genuine Article (R) Number: 231RM. Opposite effects on serum 1999:680360 cholesteryl ester transfer protein levels between long-term treatments with pravastatin and probucol in patients with primary hypercholesterolemia and xanthoma. Inazu A (Reprint); Koizumi J; Kajinami K; Kiyohar T; Chichibu K; Mabuchi Η . KANAZAWA UNIV, SCH MED, DEPT INTERNAL MED 2, TAKARA MACHI 13-1, KANAZAWA, ISHIKAWA 920864, JAPAN (Reprint); KANAZAWA UNIV, SCH HLTH SCI, DEPT CLIN LAB SCI, KANAZAWA, ISHIKAWA 920094, JAPAN; KANAZAWA UNIV HOSP, DEPT GEN MED, KANAZAWA, ISHIKAWA 920864, JAPAN; CHUGAI PHARMACEUT CO LTD, DIAGNOST RES LABS, DIAGNOST LAB, TOKYO, JAPAN. ATHEROSCLEROSIS (AUG 1999) Vol. 145, No. 2, pp. 405-413. Publisher: ELSEVIER SCI IRELAND LTD. CUSTOMER RELATIONS MANAGER, BAY 15, SHANNON INDUSTRIAL ESTATE CO, CLARE, IRELAND. ISSN: 0021-9150. Pub. country: JAPAN. Language: English. *ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS* AB Long-term effects of pravastatin and probucol on serum cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) and xanthoma/xanthelasma size were compared. Twenty-three patients with primary hypercholesterolemia and xanthoma/xanthelasma, including 11 patients with heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia, were treated with pravastatin (20 mg/day) or probucol (1000 mg/day) for 24 months. Serum CETP levels were measured by sandwich ELISA. In 11 patients (six men and five women, 55 \pm /- 2 [SE] yr) treated with pravastatin, serum cholesterol levels decreased from 262 +/- 13 to 229 +/-

13 mg/dl during the 24-month **treatment** period (P = 0.05). Serum HDL cholesterol levels were not changed. Serum **CETP** levels decreased from 2.5 +/- 0.2 to 2.0 +/- 0.2 mu g/ml (- 21%, P = 0.002). By contrast, in 12 patients (four men and eight women, 57 +/- 4 year) treated

with probucol, serum cholesterol levels did not significantly decrease from 236 +/- 11 to 207 +/- 13 mg/dl. Serum HDL cholesterol levels decreased from 44 +/- 2 to 30 +/- 2 mg/dl (P = 0.009). Serum CETP

levels increased from 2.3 +/- 0.1 to 2.8 +/- 0.2 mu g/ml (+ 23%, P =0.02), Xanthelasma regression was found in two of four patients (50%)

treated with pravastatin and probucol, respectively. In contrast, Achilles' tendon xanthoma regressed in four of five patients (80%)

with pravastatin, but only in two of five patients (40%) treated with probucol. Patients with xanthoma/xanthelasma regression after 2 years treatment had higher baseline levels of serum CETP than those without regression (2.7 +/- 0.2 mu g/ml [n = 9] versus 2.1 +/- 0.2 mu g/ml [n = 7], P = 0.05), Serial changes in serum **CETP** levels during treatment with pravastatin and probucol were discordant, but not related to the degree of xanthoma regression. However, higher level of serum HDL3 cholesterol was an independent factor in the smaller size of Achilles' tendon xanthoma at baseline. In addition, higher levels of serum HDL3 triglyceride on lipid-lowering therapy (6 months) appear to be a common predictor of regression of Achilles' tendon xanthoma in the treatment with either pravastatin or probucol. (C) 1999 Elsevier Science Ireland Ltd. All rights reserved.

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The effects of cholesteryl ester transfer AB protein (CETP) on the direct uptake of HDL cholesteryl ester by the liver was investigated using the rat in vivo and the

perfused rat liver as experimental models, Rat plasma was incubated with [H-3]cholesterol in the presence or absence of partially purified human CETP far 18 hr and [H-3]cholesteryl ester-labeled HDL was then isolated by ultracentrifugation, The CETP-treated as compared to untreated HDL showed a small shift toward a lower density in the peak of lipoprotein cholesterol, suggesting that the HDL particle size was increased, After injection of the labeled HDL into rats in vivo, more radioactivity remained in the plasma after 60 min when the CETP -treated preparation was used, but the amounts found in the liver and secreted in the bile were not significantly different from those obtained with the untreated HDL, The distribution of the label remaining in the plasma after 60 min between different density fractions corresponding to HDL subclasses suggested that the uptake of HDL, and HDL, was delayed by CETP treatment. Radioactivity from CETP -treated HDL was also removed from the perfusate of isolated perfused rat livers more slowly than that from untreated HDL, and in this case the amount found in the liver after 60 min was significantly lower, These findings indicate that treatment with CETP has a direct inhibitory effect on the clearance of rat HDL cholesteryl ester

L17 ANSWER 13 OF 22 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 2 1998421851 Document Number: 98421851. PubMed ID: 9751231. Role of female sex steroids in regulating cholesteryl ester transfer protein in transgenic mice. Vadlamudi S; MacLean P; Green T; Shukla N; Bradfield J; Vore S; Barakat H. (Department of Biochemistry, School of Medicine East Carolina University,

from the blood and its uptake by the liver.

Greenville, NC 27858, USA.) METABOLISM: CLINICAL AND EXPERIMENTAL, (1998 Sep) 47 (9) 1048-51. Journal code: MUM; 0375267. ISSN: 0026-0495. Pub. country: United States. Language: English.

The role of sex steroids in the regulation of cholesteryl AB ester transfer protein (CETP) was examined in the following groups of female transgenic mice carrying the human CETP gene: (1) normal, (2) ovariectomized, (3) ovariectomized and treated with estrogen; (4) ovariectomized and treated with progesterone; (5) ovariectomized and treated with both hormones, and (6) ovariectomized and treated with tamoxifen. CETP activity was measured in the plasma, and in the particulate and the soluble fractions of liver, muscle, and adipose tissue. Human CETP specific activity was determined by taking the difference of cholesterol ester transfer in the presence and absence of an antibody (TP2) against human CETP Ovariectomy reduced hormone levels, but did not completely abolish them from the circulation. Plasma CETP activity was significantly reduced in the tamoxifen group. There were significant reductions in CETP in liver homogenate and the soluble fraction, as well as in the particulate fraction of adipose with ovariectomy. Hormone replacement did not restore CETP activity in either the plasma or the tissues. Tamoxifin treatment resulted in a decrease in CETP activity in both fractions of liver, but had no effect on adipose. In the soluble fraction of adipose tissue and both fractions of muscle, only trace CETP activity was detected. We conclude that (1) minimal amounts of sex steroid hormones

may be sufficient to affect CETP expression; (2) the effects of sex steroid hormones vary among tissues; and (3) in addition to the sex steroids, factor(s) from the ovary are needed for the full expression of CETP in this animal model.

L17 ANSWER 14 OF 22 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R) The Genuine Article (R) Number: 107RF. Effects of vitamin E and 1998:612414 HMG-CoA reductase inhibition on cholesteryl ester transfer protein and lecithin-cholesterol acyltransferase in hypercholesterolemia. Napoli C (Reprint); Leccese M; Palumbo G; deNigris F; Chiariello P; Zuliani P; Somma P; DiLoreto M; DeMatteis C; Cacciatore F; Abete P; Liguori A; Chiariello M; DArmiento F P

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NAPLES FEDERICO II, INST INTERNAL MED CARDIOL GERIATR CLIN IMMUNOL, DIV CARDIOL, NAPLES, ITALY. CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE (16 JUL 1998) Vol. 9, No. 5, pp. 257-264. Publisher: RAPID SCIENCE PUBLISHERS. 2-6 BOUNDARY ROW, LONDON SE1 8NH, ENGLAND. ISSN: 0954-6928. Pub. country: ITALY. Language: English.

ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS

Background The enzyme lecithin-cholesterol acyl transferase (LCAT) AB esterifies free cholesterol on high-density lipoprotein (HDL) and the cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) transfers cholesteryl esters to very-low-density lipoproteins (VLDL) and low-density lipoproteins (LDL). Using statins, contradictory findings have been made regarding CETP activity in normolipidemic individuals and in those with familial dysbetalipoproteinemia. In contrast, LCAT activity appears to be unaffected by simvastatin. Antioxidants have also been proposed for use anti-atherosclerotic **treatment**, because the oxidation of LDL may have a key role in the pathophysiology of atherogenesis.

Objective To investigate, in hypercholesterolemic patients, whether a combination of pravastatin with the antioxidant, vitamin E, has greater effects on the activity of CETP and of LCAT than does pravastatin alone.

Methods This placebo-diet-controlled multicenter trial included 220 hypercholesterolemic patients who were assigned randomly to groups to receive: diet and 20-40 mg pravastatin (n = 52), diet and pravastatin in combination with 100 mg/day vitamin E (100 IU) as DL-alpha-tocopherol (n = 52).

56), diet and alpha-tocopherol (n = 60), or diet associated with placebo (n = 52). Plasma LCAT activity was determined using excess exogenous substrate, containing [H-3]cholesterol. Plasma **CETP** activity was measured in the supernatant fraction after precipitation of endogenous

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B-containing lipoproteins with phosphotungstate-Mg2+. The exchange of cholesteryl esters between [C-14]cholesteryl ester-labeled LDL and unlabeled HDL was measured during a 16-h incubation, while LCAT was inhibited.

Results The addition of pravastatin to the diet induced a significant decrease in plasma ${\tt CETP}$ activity (P < 0.05); this effect was less evident in the group cotreated with vitamin E. For the first time,

it

was shown that ${\tt CETP}$ concentrations increased significantly after vitamin E alone (P< 0.05). No significant differences in the plasma activity of LCAT were observed among the groups.

Conclusions Pravastatin reduced **CETP** activity, but not that of LCAT. Addition of vitamin E prevented the decrease in **CETP** activity and had no effect on LCAT activity. The mechanism responsible

for

these effects is unknown, but could involve the prevention of radical-induced damage to **CETP** by vitamin E. Coronary Artery Dis 9:257-264 (C) 1998 Lippincott-Raven Publishers.

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1998:173590 The Genuine Article (R) Number: YY175. Effects of testosterone replacement on HDL subfractions and apolipoprotein A-I containing lipoproteins. Tan K C B (Reprint); Shiu S W M; Pang R W C; Kung A W C. QUEEN MARY HOSP, DEPT MED, POKFULAM RD, HONG KONG, HONG KONG (Reprint); QUEEN MARY HOSP, DEPT CLIN BIOCHEM, HONG KONG, HONG KONG; UNIV HONG KONG, DEPT MED, HONG KONG, HONG KONG. CLINICAL ENDOCRINOLOGY (FEB 1998) Vol.

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No. 2, pp. 187-194. Publisher: BLACKWELL SCIENCE LTD. P O BOX 88, OSNEY MEAD, OXFORD, OXON, ENGLAND OX2 ONE. ISSN: 0300-0664. Pub. country: HONG KONG. Language: English.

ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS

OBJECTIVES Gonadal steroids are important regulators of lipoprotein metabolism, The aims of this study were to determine the effects of a minimum effective dose of testosterone replacement on high density lipoprotein (HDL) subfractions and apolipoprotein (ape) A-I containing particles (lipoprotein (Lp)A-I) and LpA-I:A-II) in hypogonadal men with primary testicular failure and to investigate the underlying mechanisms

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these changes,

MEASUREMENTS Eleven Chinese hypogonadal men were started on testosterone enanthate 250 mg intramuscularly at 4-weekly intervals. HDL was subfractionated by density gradient ultracentrifugation and LpA-I was analysed by electro-immunodiffusion after 3, 6 and 12 weeks of

treatment. Plasma cholesteryl ester

transfer protein (CETP) activity and lipolytic enzymes activities in post-heparin plasma were measured to determine the mechanisms underlying testosterone-induced changes in HDL.

RESULTS The dosage of testosterone enanthate used in the present study

resulted in suboptimal trough testosterone levels. No changes were seen in plasma total cholesterol, triglyceride, low density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C,) apo a and apo(a) after 12 weeks. There was a drop in HDL3-C compared to baseline (0.82 +/- 0.17 mmol/l vs, 0.93 +/- 0.13, \dot{P} < 0.01) whereas a small but significant increase was seen in HDL2-C (0.21 +/- 0.13 mmol/l vs. 0.11 +/- 0.09, P < 0.05). Plasma apo A-I decreased after treatment (1.34 +/- 0.25 particles (0.86 +/- 0.18 g/l vs. 0.99 +/- 0.24, P < 0.01). No changes were observed in the levels of LpA-Iparticles. No significant changes were seen in plasma CETP and lipoprotein lipase activities after testosterone replacement but there was a transient increase in hepatic lipase (HL) activity at weeks 3 and 6. The decrease in HDL correlated with the increase in HL activity (r = 0.62, P 0.05). CONCLUSIONS Testosterone replacement in the form of parenteral testosterone ester given 4-weekly, although unphysiological, was not associated with unfavourable changes in lipid profiles, The reduction in HDL was mainly in HDL3-C and in LpA-I:A-II particles and not in the more anti-atherogenic HDL2 and LpA-I particles. The changes in HDL subclasses were mainly mediated through the effect of testosterone on hepatic lipase activity. L17 ANSWER 16 OF 22 SCISEARCH COPYRIGHT 2002 ISI (R) The Genuine Article (R) Number: YQ039. The role of a common 1998:47647 variant of the cholesterol ester transfer protein gene in the progression of coronary atherosclerosis. Kuivenhoven J A; Jukema J W; Zwinderman A Η; deKnijff P; McPherson R; Bruschke V G; Lie K I; Kastelein J J P UNIV AMSTERDAM, ACAD MED CTR, DEPT VASC MED, RM G1-123, MEIBERGDREEF 9, POB 22-700, NL-1105 AZ AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS (Reprint); UNIV AMSTERDAM, ACAD MED CTR, DEPT VASC MED, NL-1105 AZ AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS; UNIV AMSTERDAM, ACAD MED CTR, DEPT CARDIOL, NL-1105 AZ AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS; LEIDEN UNIV, DEPT CARDIOL, LEIDEN, NETHERLANDS; LEIDEN UNIV, DEPT LEIDEN, NETHERLANDS; LEIDEN UNIV, DEPT HUMAN GENET, NL-2300 RA LEIDEN, NETHERLANDS; OTTAWA HEART INST, LIPOPROT & ATHEROSCLEROSIS GRP, OTTAWA, ON, CANADA; INTERUNIV CARDIOL INST NETHERLANDS, UTRECHT, NETHERLANDS. NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL OF MEDICINE (8 JAN 1998) Vol. 338, No. 2, pp. 86-93. Publisher: MASS MEDICAL SOC. 10 SHATTUCK, BOSTON, MA 02115. ISSN: 0028-4793. Pub. country: NETHERLANDS; CANADA. Language: English. *ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS* Background The high-density lipoprotein (HDL) cholesterol ABconcentration is inversely related to the risk of coronary artery disease, The cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) has a central role in the metabolism of this lipoprotein and may therefore alter the susceptibility to atherosclerosis. Methods The DNA of 807 men with angiographically documented coronary atherosclerosis was analyzed for the presence of a polymorphism in the gene coding for CETP. The presence of this DNA variation was referred to as B1, and its absence as B2. All patients participated in a cholesterol-lowering trial designed to induce the regression of coronary atherosclerosis and were randomly assigned to treatment with either pravastatin or placebo for two years.

Results The B1 variant of the CETP gene was associated with both higher plasma CETP concentrations (mean [+/-SD], 2.29+/-0.62 mu g per milliliter for the B1B1 genotype vs. 1.76+/-0.51 mu

per milliliter for the B2B2 genotype) and lower HDL cholesterol concentrations (34+/-8 vs. 39+/-10 mg per deciliter). In addition, we

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observed a significant dose-dependent association between this marker and the progression of coronary atherosclerosis in the placebo group (decrease

in mean luminal diameter: 0.14+/-0.21 mm for the B1B1 genotype, 0.10+/-0.20 mm for the B1B2 genotype, and 0.05+/-0.22 mm for the B2B2 genotype). This association was abolished by pravastatin. Pravastatin therapy slowed the progression of coronary atherosclerosis in B1B1 carriers but not in B2B2 carriers (representing 16 percent of the patients

taking pravastatin).

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Conclusions There is a significant relation between variation at the CETP gene locus and the progression of coronary atherosclerosis that is independent of plasma HDL cholesterol levels and the activities

lipolytic plasma enzymes, This common DNA variant appears to predict whether men with coronary artery disease will benefit from treatment with pravastatin to delay the progression of coronary atherosclerosis. (C) 1998, Massachusetts Medical Society.

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1998:384875 The Genuine Article (R) Number: ZN601. Lowering of serum

cholesteryl ester transfer protein
But not lecithin:cholesterol acyltransferase - Activity levels by
hypocholesterolemic drugs in the rabbit. Meijer G W (Reprint); Groener J

E M; Beynen A C; VanTol A. UNILEVER RES LABS VLAARDINGEN, UNILEVER NUTR

CTR, OLIVIER VAN NOORTLAAN 120, NL-3130 AC VLAARDINGEN, NETHERLANDS
(Reprint); UNIV UTRECHT, DEPT LAB ANIM SCI, NL-3508 TD UTRECHT,
NETHERLANDS; ERASMUS UNIV, DEPT BIOCHEM, CARDIOVASC RES INST, COEUR,
NL-3000 DR ROTTERDAM, NETHERLANDS. CARDIOVASCULAR DRUGS AND THERAPY (MAR
1998) Vol. 12, No. 1, pp. 13-18. Publisher: KLUWER ACADEMIC PUBL.
SPUIBOULEVARD 50, PO BOX 17, 3300 AA DORDRECHT, NETHERLANDS. ISSN:
0920-3206. Pub. country: NETHERLANDS. Language: English.
ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS

Cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) and lecithin: cholesterol acyltransferase (LCAT) are important factors in the regulation of serum lipoprotein metabolism. Rabbits were fed hypocholesterolemic drugs to investigate the effect on serum CETP and LCAT activity levels. The activities were assayed using exogenous substrate assays and are an estimate of CETP and LCAT mass. Groups of eight rabbits were fed a cholesterol-free diet containing either 0.03% simvastatin or 1% cholestyramine for 6 weeks. For comparison eight rabbits were fed a cholesterol-free control diet without drugs or a diet containing 0.1% cholesterol for 6 weeks. Total serum and lipoprotein triglyceride concentrations were not different after intervention with the hypocholesterolemic drugs or the cholesterol diet. Dietary cholesterol induced higher VLDL, IDL, and LDL cholesterol, as well as serum CETP activity, as expected. Serum LCAT activity showed Little change with intervention. Both simvastatin and cholestyramine tended to lead to decreased cholesterol in all lipoprotein fractions and caused a significant decrease in serum CETP activity when compared with the control diet. Both drugs also caused a significant lower LDL particle concentration, as judged from differences in LDL protein levels. Intervention with simvastatin or cholestyramine led to relatively cholesterol-poor LDL. These effects on LDL concentration and composition were opposite from the effects of cholesterol feeding. Differences in the cholesterol contents of VLDL and IDL were comparable with those in LDL. The results suggest that decreasing serum CETP activity levels by treatment with simvastatin or cholestyramine may contribute to lowering of cholesterol in apo B-containing lipoproteins. The effects are additional to the well-known increase in hepatic LDL receptor activity, which is likely to be the most important factor in LDL cholesterol lowering by these drugs.

L17 ANSWER 18 OF 22 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 3
97450950 Document Number: 97450950. PubMed ID: 9305883. Differential interaction of the human cholesteryl ester transfer protein with plasma high density lipoproteins (HDLs) from humans, control mice, and transgenic mice to human HDL apolipoproteins. Lack of lipid transfer inhibitory activity in transgenic mice expressing human apoA-I. Masson D; Duverger N; Emmanuel F; Lagrost L. (Laboratoire de Biochimie des Lipoproteines, INSERM CJF 93-10, Faculte de Medecine, 21033 Dijon Cedex, France.)
JOURNAL OF BIOLOGICAL CHEMISTRY, (1997 Sep 26) 272 (39) 24287-93.
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Plasma high density lipoproteins (HDLs) from humans, from transgenic AB mice to human apolipoprotein A-I (HuAITq mice), from transgenic mice to human apolipoprotein A-II (HuAIITg mice), from transgenic mice to human apolipoproteins A-I and A-II (HuAIAIITg mice), and from C57BL/6 control mice were isolated, and their ability to interact with the human cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) was studied. Whereas cholesteryl ester transfer rates were gradually enhanced by the addition of moderate amounts of HDL from the different sources, striking differences appeared when HDL levels kept increasing beyond a maximal transfer value. Indeed, while a plateau value corresponding to maximal CETP activity was maintained when raising the concentration of HuAITg HDL and HuAIAIITg HDL, inhibitions could be observed with the highest levels of human, control mouse , and HuAIITg mouse HDL. The concentration-dependent inhibition of CETP activity could be reproduced by the addition of delipidated HDL apolipoproteins from control mice, but it was abolished by a 1-h preheating treatment at 56 degrees C. In contrast, no significant inhibition of CETP activity was observed with the delipidated protein moiety of HuAITg HDL, and cholesteryl ester transfer rates remained unchanged before and after a 1-h, 56 degrees C preheating step. Finally, the CETP-mediated transfer of radiolabeled cholesteryl esters from human low density lipoprotein to human HDL was significantly higher in the presence of lipoprotein-deficient plasma from HuAITg mice than in the presence of lipoprotein-deficient plasma from control mice. Interestingly, cholesteryl ester transfer rates measured with both control

and HuAITg lipoprotein-deficient plasmas became remarkably similar following a 1-h, 56 degrees C preheating **treatment**. It is concluded that human, control **mouse**, and HuAIITg **mouse** HDL contain a heat-labile lipid transfer inhibitory activity that is absent from HDL of HuAITg and HuAIAIITg **mice**. Alterations in **CETP**-lipoprotein binding did not account for differential lipid transfer inhibitory activities.

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97:446723 The Genuine Article (R) Number: XC872. Interferon alpha induces disorder of lipid metabolism by lowering postheparin lipases and cholesteryl ester transfer protein
activities in patients with chronic hepatitis C. Shinohara E (Reprint);
Yamashita S; Kihara S; Hirano K; Ishigami M; Arai T; Nozaki S;
KamedaTakemura K; Kawata S; Matsuzawa Y. OSAKA UNIV, SCH MED, DEPT
INTERNAL MED 2, 2-2 YAMADAOKA, SUITA, OSAKA 565, JAPAN (Reprint).
HEPATOLOGY (JUN 1997) Vol. 25, No. 6, pp. 1502-1506. Publisher: W B
SAUNDERS CO. INDEPENDENCE SQUARE WEST CURTIS CENTER, STE 300,
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19106-3399. ISSN: 0270-9139. Pub. country: JAPAN.
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AB The effect of recombinant interferon alpha 2a (rIFN-alpha(2a)) on serum

lipoprotein metabolism was assessed in 39 patients with chronic viral hepatitis C. rIFN-alpha(2a) was administered intramuscularly at a dose of 9 x 10(6) U/d for 2 weeks and then for 3 times a week over 6 months. The serum cholesterol concentration significantly decreased one meek after rIFN-alpha(2a) administration. Approximately 67% of this decrease was attributed to the reduction of high-density lipoprotein

(HDL) -cholesterol;
a decrease in HD2-cholesterol was more evident. By contrast, serum triglyceride levels, largely derived from very-low density Lipoprotein (VLDL), significantly increased following rIFN-alpha(2a), treatment. Lipoprotein Lipase (LPL) and hepatic triglyceride lipase (HTGL) activities in the postheparin plasma were reduced by 75.7% and by 79.4%, respectively, and decreases in plasma cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) activity and its protein mass were also observed. However, prothrombin time was ameliorated by rIFN-alpha(2a), suggesting that the decrease in LPL, HTGL, and CETP activities may not be due to a reduction in protein synthesis by the liver. Simple correlation analysis demonstrated that the changes in LPL activity before and after 2 weeks of treatment with rIFN-alpha(2a) showed a significant negative correlation with changes in serum triglyceride and VLDL-triglyceride and

positive correlation with changes in HDL-cholesterol and HDL2-cholesterol.

These results suggest a major contribution of reduced LPL activity with regard to the lipoprotein disorders. In conclusion, rIFN-alpha(2a) treatment on patients with chronic hepatitis C causes marked changes in serum lipoprotein metabolism associated with decreases in LPL, HTGL, and CETP activities.

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96:142093 The Genuine Article (R) Number: TV417. ETHANOL-INDUCED
REDISTRIBUTION OF CHOLESTERYL ESTER TRANSFER
PROTEIN (CETP) BETWEEN LIPOPROTEINS. HANNUKSELA M L;
RANTALA M; KESANIEMI Y A; SAVOLAINEN M J (Reprint). UNIV OULU, DEPT
INTERNAL MED, KAJAANINTIE 50, SF-90220 OULU, FINLAND (Reprint); UNIV
OULU,

DEPT INTERNAL MED, SF-90220 OULU, FINLAND; UNIV OULU, BIOCTR OULU, SF-90220 OULU, FINLAND. ARTERIOSCLEROSIS THROMBOSIS AND VASCULAR BIOLOGY (FEB 1996) Vol. 16, No. 2, pp. 213-221. ISSN: 1079-5642. Pub. country: FINLAND. Language: ENGLISH.

ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS

AB Since alcohol drinking reduces the concentration and activity of plasma

cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP), we investigated the effects of alcohol on its synthesis and secretion by perfusing rabbit livers for 4 hours in the absence or presence of ethanol. The quantity of CETP mRNA in the perfused livers did not differ between the control and ethanol (25 mmol/L or 50 mmol/L) perfusions. CETP activity was determined by incubating [H-3] cholesteryl ester-labeled human LDL and unlabeled human HDL with the perfusion medium after removing the endogenous VLDL (secreted by the perfused liver) by ultracentrifugation. CETP activity in the perfusion medium increased at a linear rate that was not affected by ethanol. When the VLDL was removed by precipitation with polyethylene glycol or a heparin-Sepharose column instead of ultracentrifugation, practically no CETP activity was detected in the ethanol perfusions, whereas these procedures did not affect CETP activity in the control perfusions. Inhibition of ethanol oxidation by 4-methylpyrazole resulted in CETP activity similar to that of the controls. We conclude that ethanol does not affect the synthesis or secretion of CETP, but its oxidation may alter the distribution of CETP in lipoproteins. CETP seems to be present in VLDL as well as in HDL, and since VLDL is more rapidly catabolized than

HDL, this may explain the low plasma CETP concentration associated with alcohol consumption.

L17 ANSWER 21 OF 22 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS

1995:592558 Document No. 123:7295 Transgenic **mice** expressing both human apolipoprotein B and human **CETP** have lipoprotein cholesterol distribution similar to that of normolipidemic humans.

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David S.; Saini, Urmil; Felkner, Roland H.; Wallace, Racheal E.; Lago, William J. P.; Young, Stephen G.; Swanson, Mark E. (DNX Biotherapeutics, Inc., Princeton, NJ, 08540, USA). J. Lipid Res., 36(5), 1082-91

1995. CODEN: JLPRAW. ISSN: 0022-2275.

Transgenic mice expressing both human apolipoprotein (apo) B and human cholesteryl esters transfer protein (CETP) have been developed. When fed a normal mouse chow diet, the apoB/CETP double transgenic animals had threefold higher serum CETP activity than humans and had human apoB levels that were similar to those of normolipidemic humans. When compared with nontransgenic mice, the total serum cholesterol levels in the female apoB/CETP transgenic mice, the total serum cholesterol levels in the female apoB/CETP transgenic animals were increased significantly. Serum HDL cholesterol levels were decreased significantly in b.omega..tau..rho.

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and female apoB/CETP transgenic animals. The percentages of the total cholesterol within the HDL, LDL, and VLDL fractions of the apoB/CETP animals were approx. 30%, 65%, and 5%, resp., similar to the distribution of cholesterol in the plasmas of normolipidemic humans.

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93:333345 The Genuine Article (R) Number: LD279. ADIPOSE-TISSUE

CHOLESTERYL ESTER TRANSFER PROTEIN

MESSENGER-RNA IN RESPONSE TO PROBUCOL TREATMENT - CHOLESTEROL

AND SPECIES DEPENDENCE. QUINET E M; HUERTA P; NANCOO D; TALL A R; MARCEL

Y L; MCPHERSON R (Reprint). UNIV OTTAWA, INST HEART, LAB H453, 1053

CARLING AVE, OTTAWA K1Y 4E9, ONTARIO, CANADA; MCGILL UNIV, LIPOPROT &

ATHEROSCLEROSIS RES GRP, MONTREAL H3A 2T5, QUEBEC, CANADA; COLUMBIA UNIV

COLL PHYS & SURG, DEPT MED, DIV MOLEC MED, NEW YORK, NY, 10032. JOURNAL

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LIPID RESEARCH (MAY 1993) Vol. 34, No. 5, pp. 845-852. ISSN: 0022-2275. Pub. country: CANADA; USA. Language: ENGLISH. *ABSTRACT IS AVAILABLE IN THE ALL AND IALL FORMATS*

Probucol treatment results in an increase in plasma concentrations of cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) which may account, in part, for the effects of this agent on plasma concentrations of HDL cholesterol. We

have

examined the mechanism by which probucol increases plasma CETP and have determined the associated changes in the plasma distribution of high density lipoprotein (HDL) particles. Studies were carried out in

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hypercholesterolemic subjects and five normal volunteers. Probucol treatment resulted in a 31% increase in plasma concentrations of CETP and a 23% decrease in HDL cholesterol (P < 0.01). The plasma concentration of LpA-I decreased by 40% (P < 0.01) whereas no change occurred in the LpA-I/A-II subclass of HDL. Plasma CETP increased significantly by 1 week of therapy and remained stable over 10 to 14 weeks of therapy. In spite of the significant increase in plasma concentrations of CETP, the abundance of CETP mRNA in peripheral adipose tissue decreased markedly (P < 0.001). These results suggested that probucol may alter CETP synthesis in another tissue such as liver or, alternatively, may have other effects on CETP secretion into or catabolism out of the plasma pool. Further

studies were carried out in hamsters because, in this species, adipose tissue is a major site and liver is a negligible site for CETP synthesis. Hamsters were fed probucol with or without dietary cholesterol because this species was previously shown to respond to dietary cholesterol with an increase in adipose tissue mRNA levels and in plasma CETP concentrations, thus providing the opportunity to determine whether probucol would alter these parameters independently of the

cholesterol effect. When animals were fed a cholesterol-free diet, probucol had no effect on plasma concentrations of HDL-C or CETP or on adipose tissue CETP mRNA abundance. Addition of cholesterol to the diet (0.5% w/w) resulted in significant increases both in plasma CETP and in the level of CETP mRNA in adipose tissue. When probucol was incorporated into the cholesterol-rich diet, there was a further and significant increase in plasma CETP and adipose tissue mRNA abundance and a decrease in HDL cholesterol. The effect of probucol on CETP gene expression may be mediated by alterations in a putative regulatory pool of cellular cholesterol and

in turn, depend on net transport of cholesterol to and from specific tissues via chylomicrons, low density lipoproteins, or other lipoproteins.

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atherosclerosis. Thomas, Lawrence J. (1). (1) Easton, MA USA. ASSIGNEE: AVANT Immunotherapeutics, Inc.. Patent Info.: US 6284533 September 04, 2001. Official Gazette of the United States Patent and Trademark Office Patents, (Sep. 4, 2001) Vol. 1250, No. 1, pp. No Pagination. e-file. ISSN: 0098-1133. Language: English.

AB A plasmid-based vaccine is provided herein based on the combination of DNA

segments coding for one or more B cell epitopes of cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) and one or more broad range helper T cell epitopes. Administration of the plasmids as a vaccine to a vertebrate

subject provides an immune response to the subject's endogenous **CETP** and modulation of **CETP** activity, leading to prevention or reversal of various manifestations of heart disease. The vaccines provide an advantageous strategy for the prevention or treatment

of atherosclerosis.

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of an immunoneutralizing vaccine to produce anti-CETP antibodies for the prevention/treatment of atherosclerosis. Thomas, Lawrence J. (1); Picard, Michele D. (1); Miller, David P. (1); Emmett, Constance D. (1); Scesney, Susanne M. (1); Pisano, Milissa L. (1); Adari, Hedy (1); Hammond, Russell A. (1); Marsh, Henry C. (1); Rittershaus, Charles W. (1); Pettey, Carolyn L. (1). (1) AVANT Immunotherapeutics, 119 Fourth Ave., Needham, MA, 02494 USA. FASEB Journal, (March 7, 2001) Vol. 15, No. 4, pp. A566. print. Meeting Info.: Annual Meeting of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology on Experimental Biology 2001 Orlando, Florida, USA March 31-April 04, 2001 ISSN: 0892-6638. Language: English. Summary Language: English.

AB A toxicology study was conducted with an immunoneutralizing vaccine designed to elicit antibodies that would bind to and block the function

cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP), in order to prevent atherosclerosis. The vaccine consisted of a dimer of a 31 a.a. synthetic chimeric peptide containing an N-terminal cysteine, a T cell epitope (residues 830-843 of tetanus toxin), and a B cell epitope (residues 461-476 of human CETP), formulated with an alum adjuvant. In this study NZW rabbits were immunized with either 0 mg (4 males and 4 females), 0.1 mg (2 males and 2 females), 0.25 mg (4 males and 4 females) or 1.0 mg (4 males and 4 females) of the vaccine on days 1, 29 and 57. On day 197 (at a relative antibody minimum) half of the animals from groups 1, 3 and 4 were sacrificed. The remaining animals were reboosted and euthanized on day 211, at an expected antibody maximum. Blood samples

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taken periodically throughout the study and were assessed for hematology, clinical chemistry, and antibody titers. All rabbits in the non-control groups developed anti-rabbit CETP antibody titers, thus validating the immunogenicity of the vaccine. In all other measurements the vaccinated groups were indistinguishable from the control group. All animals were monitored for clinical abnormalities throughout the study, and at necropsy, gross pathology was assessed, selected organs were weighed, and samples of 44 tissues were taken for histopathology. By all the above parameters, no significant test article-related pathology was observed. This study demonstrated the administration of this CETP immunoneutralizing vaccine produced specific self-reactive antibody titers

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- AB One determinant of plasma HDL-Cholesterol concn. is cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) activity. Inhibition of CETP activity increases plasma HDL-C, thus providing a potential therapeutic target for the treatment of atherosclerosis. Using a vaccine approach, we

immunized New Zealand White rabbits with a peptide contg. a region of CETP known to be required for neutral lipid transfer function.

CETP-vaccinated rabbits had significantly reduced plasma

CETP activity and an altered lipoprotein profile compared with control rabbits. In a cholesterol-fed rabbit model of atherosclerosis, the fraction of plasma cholesterol in HDL was 42% higher, and the fraction

of plasma cholesterol in LDL was 24% lower in the CETP -vaccinated group compared with the control-vaccinated group. Moreover, the percentage of the aorta surface exhibiting atherosclerotic lesion was 39.6% smaller in the CETP-vaccinated rabbits compared with controls. The data reported here demonstrate that CETP activity can be reduced in vivo by vaccination with a peptide derived from CETP, and support the concept that inhibition of CETP activity in vivo can be anti-atherogenic. Currently, this vaccine is in clin. trials.

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- Using a vaccine approach, we immunized New Zealand White rabbits with a AΒ peptide containing a region of cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) known to be required for neutral lipid transfer function. These rabbits had significantly reduced plasma CETP activity and an altered lipoprotein profile. In a cholesterol-fed rabbit model of atherosclerosis, the fraction of plasma cholesterol in HDL was 42% higher and the fraction of plasma cholesterol in LDL was 24% lower in the CETP-vaccinated group than in the control-vaccinated group. Moreover, the percentage of the aorta surface exhibiting atherosclerotic lesion was 39.6% smaller in the CETP-vaccinated rabbits than in controls. The data reported here demonstrate that CETP activity can be reduced in vivo by vaccination with a peptide derived from CETP and support the concept that inhibition of CETP activity in vivo can be antiatherogenic. In addition, these studies suggest that vaccination against a self-antigen is a viable therapeutic strategy for disease management.
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- L20 ANSWER 6 OF 13 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS Document No. 130:310673 Xenogeneic cholesteryl ester transfer 1999:282118 protein (CETP) for modulation of CETP activity in treatment of atherosclerosis. Rittershaus, Charles W.; Thomas, Lawrence J. (Avant Immunotherapeutics, Inc., USA). PCT Int. Appl. WO 9920302 A1 19990429, 62 pp. DESIGNATED STATES: W: AL, AM, AT, AU, AZ, BA, BB, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CU, CZ, DE, DK, EE, ES, FI, GB, GE, GH, GM, HR, HU, ID, IL, IS, JP, KE, KG, KP, KR, KZ, LC, LK, LR, LS, LT, LU, LV, MD, MG, MK, MN, MW, MX, NO, NZ, PL, PT, RO, RU, SD, SE, SG, SI, SK, SL, TJ, TM, TR, TT, UA, UG, US, UZ, VN, YU, ZW, AM, AZ, BY, KG, KZ, MD, RU, TJ, TM; RW: AT, BE, BF, BJ, CF, CG, CH, CI, CM, CY, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GA, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, ML, MR, NE, NL, PT, SE, SN, TD, TG, (English) TD, TG. (English). CODEN: PIXXD2. APPLICATION: WO 1998-US22145 19981020. PRIORITY: US 1997-954643 19971020.

activity and the plasma levels of lipoproteins involved in heart disease involve administration of a non-endogenous CETP or a plasmid-based vaccine for expression of such non-endogenous CETP to elicit prodn. in a mammal of antibodies that recognize (bind to) the mammal's native (endogenous) CETP.

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 the prevention/treatment of atherosclerosis. Thomas, L. J. (1);
 Picard, M. D. (1); Miller, D. P. (1); Honan, C. M. (1); Adari, H. (1);
 Emmett, C. D. (1); Marsh, H. C. (1); Ryan, U. S. (1); Pettey, C. L. (1);
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 Needham, MA, 02494 USA. FASEB Journal, (March 15, 1999) Vol. 13, No. 5
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- AB A plasmid-based vaccine is provided that is based on the combination of DNA segments coding for one or more B cell epitopes of CETP and one or more broad range helper T cell epitopes. Administration of the plasmids as a vaccine to a vertebrate subject provides an immune response to the subject's endogenous CETP and modulation of CETP activity, leading to prevention or reversal of various manifestations of heart disease. The vaccines provide an advantageous strategy for the prevention or treatment of atherosclerosis.

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AB This invention relates to peptides comprising a helper T cell epitope portion and a B cell epitope portion for eliciting an immune response against endogenous cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) activity, to prevent or treat cardiovascular disease, such as atherosclerosis. The T helper T cell epitope may be derived from an antigenic peptide selected from the group consisting tetanus toxoid, diphtheria toxoid, pertussis vaccine, Bacile Calmette-Guerin, polio vaccine, measles vaccine, mumps vaccine, rubella vaccine, purified protein

deriv. of tuberculin, keyhole limpet hemocyanin, hsp70 and combination thereof.

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